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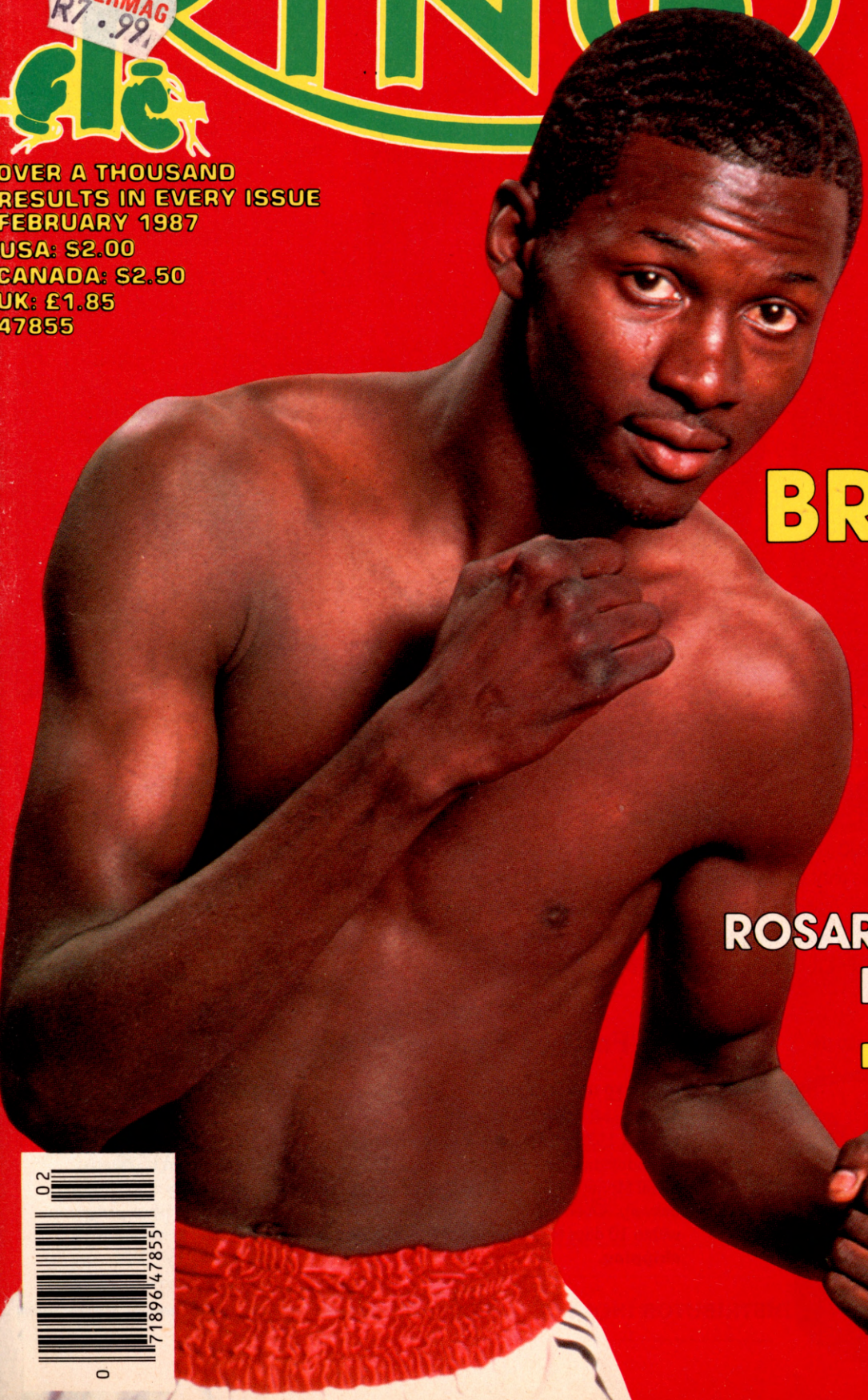

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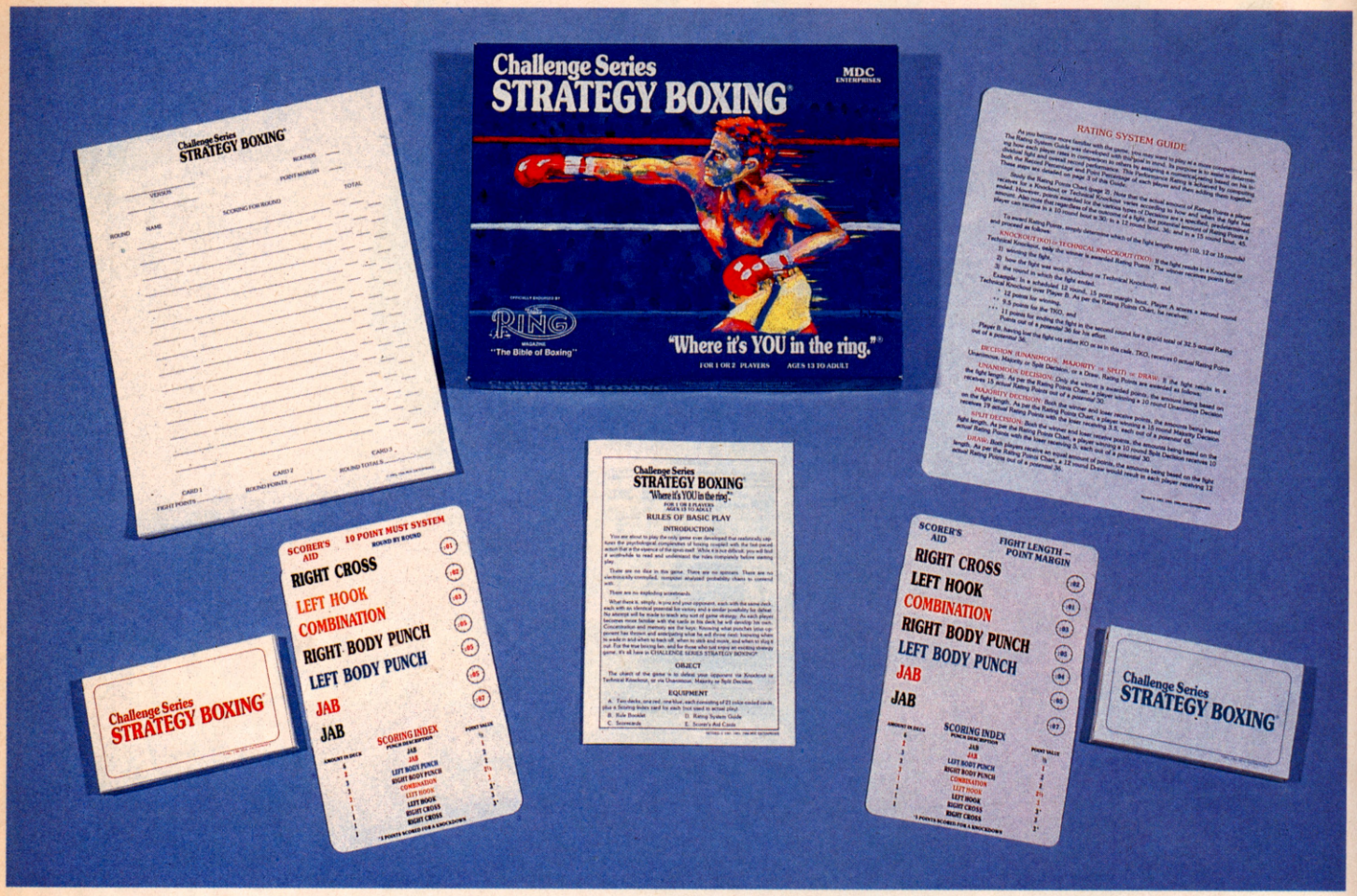

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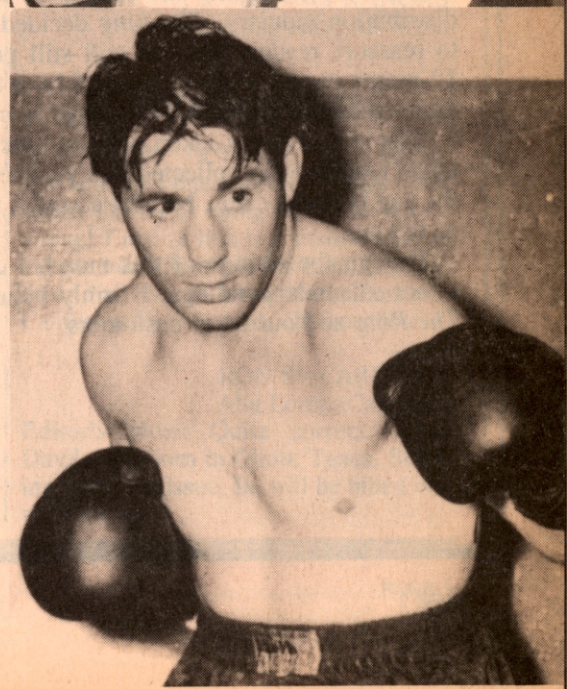

RINGSIDE

WHY JANUARY BECAME FEBRUARY

Don't freak out. I realize regular readers expected this issue of *The Ring* to carry a January cover date, but never fear, we haven't skipped an issue, simply changed the cover date. We have taken this step in an effort to improve distribution. Let me explain a bit further.

Since assuming the duties of Editor-In-Chief two years ago, I have noted a growing number of complaints from readers who claim they can't find *The Ring* at their local news dealers. While investigating this perplexing dilemma, we discovered that many magazine outlets were returning their allotments of *The Ring* unopened because the cover bore the date of the current month. It makes no matter how timely the information contained inside a magazine is; newsagents like to display publications dated a month in advance.

Therefore, realizing the futility of trying to buck the entire magazine distribution industry, *The Ring* decided to join the herd. However, I wish to reassure readers that we will still publish 12 issues within the normal 12-month period. Subscribers will have their termination dates extended one issue to compensate for the change in cover dates.

This step was not taken without much consideration. We recognize that those readers who collected every issue of *The Ring* might be disturbed at the gap in cover dates, but rest assured, there will be no gap in our coverage of boxing.

Though the change of this month's cover date is bound to cause a few minor misunderstandings, I firmly believe the end result will benefit both *The Ring* and our loyal customers.

Nigel Collins

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Come Out Writing

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Reader J. Bishop of Los Angeles thinks Hector (Macho) Camacho, pictured here playing patty-cake with Cornelius Boza-Edwards, should get a new nickname. See "Cheese Champ" for details.

CHEESE CHAMP

RE: HECTOR CAMACHO. YOU HAVE the name wrong. It's not Macho but, "Nacho" . . . the first Cheese Champ I can remember in the lightweight division. Hector needs a little lace with his sequins. It's a shame because he has marvelous skills, just a little short on cojones. How does he manage to get those judges?

J. BISHOP
Los Angeles, California

A BRITISH FAN'S LAMENT

AS ONE OF MANY THOUSANDS OF genuine lovers of boxing here, I sadly have to agree with Nigel Collins' opinion on the so-called British "fans" ("Ringside," October '86). This mindless minority has already destroyed our national sport of soccer. We can only hope, as you suggest, that promoters, organizers and police will work together to stamp out this problem before it spreads and destroys another great sport. So, please accept the apologies of all true British boxing fans, and let's hope American fighters will not be detered from coming here in the future.

G. JONES
Warley, England

P.S. Congratulations to Lloyd Honeyghan

BRELAND ANOTHER HEARNS?

MARK BRELAND WILL CONTINUE to be lionized. But let's face it, how impressive is it for a guy 6-foot-2 to bash guys half a foot shorter in heighth and reach? Breland is another Thomas Hearns. We won't know his true mettle until he moves up to middleweight. Breland had better hope Mr. Hagler is retired, if and when he decides to move up.

PAUL FISHER
Sacramento, California

AFRICAN DELIGHT

I'M SIMPLY DELIGHTED BY THE JOB Senior Writer Joseph D'O'Brian is doing for boxing in his recent articles. He is showing us the other side of the sweet science. He presents boxing as a humanistic profession, a path to personal achievement and self-fulfillment. D'O'Brian exposes boxers as respectable, sometimes lovable, human beings, men with tastes, beliefs and lifestyles, as admirable as movie stars and other celebrities. Those who want boxing banned should read these articles, but unfortunately, they won't understand, they insist on remaining blind to reason.

MUNYINGI THIAKA
Othaya, Kenya

Editor's Note: Joe, I didn't know you had relatives in Kenya.

HEARNS DESERVES BETTER

I HAVE BEEN A FAN OF THOMAS Hearns throughout his career and never have I seen such a talented fighter treated so harshly. After he kayoed Roberto Duran, the fans and press sang his praises and were talking about him upsetting Marvin Hagler. Then, when he lost to Hagler, everyone jumped ship, saying Hearns never had what it takes. Hagler gave Mustafa Hamsho and Fully Obel (a pair of punching bags) rematches. Why not Hearns? Hagler can either go out like a man by fighting Hearns again, or like a boy by fighting Sugar Ray Leonard (who couldn't beat an egg anymore).

DENNIS KANGAS
Sterling Hts., Michigan

POMONA PRIDE

IN YOUR OCTOBER '86 ISSUE, *The Ring's* International Ratings listed Albert Davila as being from Mexico — wrong! I realize this is a small matter to anyone but Albert and his fans, but next time, list him as being from Pomona, California. We're proud of him out here.

RON SWEARINGEN
Alta Loma, California

Editor's Note: Quite correct, Ron. Davila was born in Olion, Texas. Starting with this issue, he will be billed out of Pomona.

Round One

by Nigel Collins

HAGLER AND LEONARD SET TO SHARE THE BIGGEST PURSE IN BOXING HISTORY

Top Rank really laid it on thick at the Waldorf-Astoria press conference officially announcing the **Marvelous Marvin Hagler-Sugar Ray Leonard** blockbuster to be held at **Caesar's Palace** April 6 in Las Vegas. And why not? They've guaranteed the fighters a combined purse of $23 million, the biggest prize in boxing history. And that's just for starters. Therefore, you couldn't really blame **Bob Arum** for the overblown entrance his publicity mill dreamed up for the combatants.

With the press assembled, **Mike Buffer** mounted the mile-long podium, and in his best ring announcer voice, said, "Let's get ready to rumble." Then came an embarrassing pause, closely followed by a faint whirling and clicking noise. Slowly, the curtain began to rise, revealing the stars of the show standing side by side, hands clasped behind their backs in parade rest. For a moment, they looked like a couple of wax dummies.

However, these guys are anything but dummies. They are two of the greatest—and richest—prizefighters of our era. Though the announcement of their upcoming bout was somewhat of an anticlimax because of the soap opera-like negotiations that preceeded it, it was good to finally get the show on the road after so many false starts. Here's a few of the facts and figures:

Hagler is guaranteed $12 million, Leonard $11 million. Marvin is also down for a piece (50-75 percent of revenue in excess of $25 million) of the overall pie. Besides his guarantee, Ray also gets closed circuit rights to his hometown Washington, D.C. area. Caesars outdoor arena will be set up for 15,336 seats, ranging in price from $100 in the nosebleed section, to $700 for ringside. The potential "live" gate is $7.8 million.

Neither fighter said anything unusual or particularly noteworthy at the press conference, but the difference in styles was quite apparent. Hagler ignored Sugar Ray when he came over to shake hands, and was much more to the point when it was his turn to speak. But like Leonard said, "This fight doesn't need any hype."

EDITOR SINKS IN ALPHABET SOUP

How many of you out there caught my glaring blunder in last month's "Round One" column? That many, huh. Well, for the few who missed it, when writing about **Butch Lewis** and **Michael Spinks'** feud with the **World Boxing Association**, I erroneously referred to that august boxing organization as the **World Boxing Council**. In this particular instance, there is a distinct difference between these often confused members of boxing's Alphabet Boys. The WBC has long boycotted South Africa and her fighters, while the WBA has only recently (since the Lewis/Spinks press conference) caved in to pressure and voted to suspend South Africa until the nation ends racial segregation. The WBA's long-awaited move came when the members voted 30-18 to impose the sanctions during an emotional meeting in Reno, Nevada. No WBA events will be held in South Africa during the suspension, but South African boxers will still be allowed to fight in WBA sanctioned fights held elsewhere. In the meantime, your editor will do penance for the aforementioned boner by listening to tapes of **Jose Sulaiman** sing-

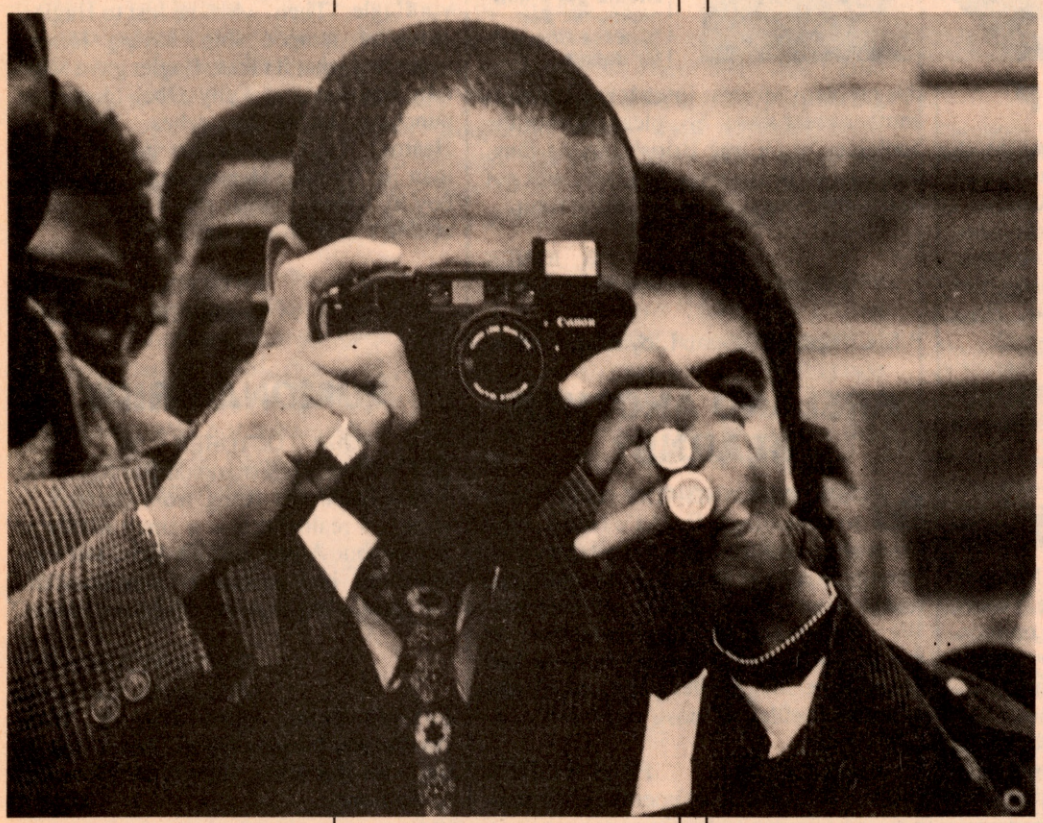


PHOTO BY DEREK ROWE

Who's the man behind the camera? It's none other than undisputed welterweight champion Lloyd Honeyghan turning the tables on the press during his homecoming celebration in England.

Round One

ing the lead from *Man of La Mancha*.

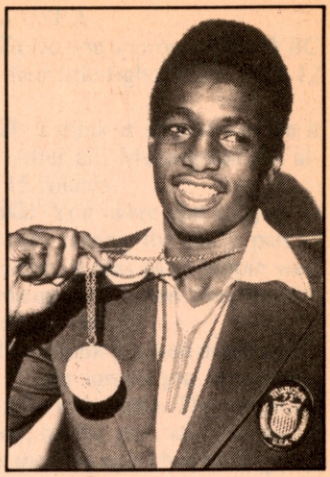
POLICE BLOTTER

Former WBA light heavyweight champion **Mike Rossman** was arrested in Atlantic City and charged with extortion, conspiracy to commit extortion and making terrorist threats. According to police, Rossman and another man, Richard Burnside, threatened to break a man's arm in a dispute about a $1,000 debt. Rossman was held overnight in Atlantic County Jail and released the next day after posting $5,000, 10 percent of the bail amount. Rossman, 30, currently works for Roofers Union Local 30 in New Jersey . . . Trainer **Carlos (Panama) Lewis** and boxer **Luis Resto** have been sentenced to jail terms for removing the padding from Resto's gloves before his June 13, 1983 bout with **Billy Collins Jr.** in Madison Square Garden. Collins absorbed a terrible beating and never fought again. He died in a car crash less than a year later. Lewis will be doing three-to-six years, while Resto got off with only a one-to-three year sentence . . . **Steve Traitz Jr.** and his son, **Steve Traitz III**, have both been indicted on racketeering charges by a federal grand jury in Philadelphia during a sweeping probe of the leadership of Roofers Union 30-30B. Steve Jr., 49, who tallied a 21-5-2 pro record as a middleweight in the 1950s, runs the Montgomery County Boys Club about 25 miles outside Philadelphia and is a union business agent. Steve III turned pro in 1981 and was a popular and successful performer on the Atlantic City circuit until his sudden retirement last year. He was working as a union organizer at the time of his arrest. If convicted of all charges, the father faces up to 214 years in prison and a maximum of $6 million in fines . . . **Aaron Pryor** was arrested and released on his own recognisance after his mother, Sarah, told police he "beat and choked her" at her suburban Cincinnati home . . .

A king no more. Former WBA light heavyweight monarch Mike Rossman was recently arrested in Atlantic City and charged with extortion.

ROSIN DUST

Canadian heavyweight champion **Willie deWit** continues to attract huge crowds throughout Canada. In six straight Canadian appearances during '86 he drew a total of 45,000 fans . . . And down Argentina way, **Juan Domingo Roldan**, the only man ever to put M.M. Hagler on the deck, lured 18,000 fans into Luna Park in Buenos Aires for his match with **Juan Carlos Gimenez** . . . WBC featherweight champion **Azumah Nelson** has just signed an exclusive promotional agreement with British promoter **Frank Warren**. A match with IBF super featherweight boss **Barry Michael** (also promoted by Warren) is a possibility for the future, but the man Nelson really wants is still **Barry McGuigan** . . . Olympic gold medalist and retired middleweight contender **Sugar Ray Seales** has an audio tape on the market. It's called "Winning Strategies in Boxing." For information write: Sound Production Incorporated, P.O. Box 31232, Seattle, WA 98103 . . . Did you know Mozambique president **Samora Machel**, who died recently in a mysterious plane crash, was a big boxing fan? According to *Philadelphia Inquirer* columnist Acel Moore, Machel engaged him in a lively boxing debate when he visited Mozambique last year. When Machel learned Acel was from Philadelphia, the African statesman smiled broadly and exclaimed, "Philadelphia! That's the home of Joe Frazier." . . .



1972 Olympic gold medalist and former middleweight contender Sugar Ray Seales has a boxing tape on the market. See "Rosin Dust" for details.

PUNCH LINES

WBA president **Gilberto Mendoza**, explaining why his organization suspended South Africa: "South Africa's boxing commission has done great work, but it has not been significant to eliminate the problems that exist beyond the boxing frontier." □

EXCLUSIVE INTERVIEW WITH MARK BRELAND

by Nigel Collins

MARK BRELAND SEEMS TO BE ONE fighter who is destined to live up to his advance billing. As perhaps the most touted amateur in recent history, there were some cynics who just couldn't wait for him to fall flat on his face. But after a less-than-awesome professional debut, Mark has gradually matured into a fully-rounded pro. Following 15 straight victories (six inside the distance) he is on the threshold of greatness. Though some doubts remain, it no longer seems to be a question of *if* he will be a world champion, but *when*. Now that Donald Curry is no longer ruling the welterweight roost, it seemed an opportune time to talk to this budding super star and see exactly how he feels about his career, the current welterweight picture, and life in general. Accompanying Mark was co-manager Shelly Finkle, who also contributed to this interview.

THE RING: Were you as surprised as most people when Lloyd Honeyghan beat Donald Curry for the undisputed welterweight title?

BRELAND: Yeah, I was surprised. I'd never seen Lloyd Honeyghan before, but I'd heard of him. As Curry was considered one of the best fighters around, pound-for-pound, I didn't think Honeyghan had a chance. But it was his his night, that's for sure.

THE RING: What is your opinion of Honeyghan as a fighter?

BRELAND: He's a game fighter. He's not the most exciting fighter, but he's tough. There's no science about him, he's just real tough. Curry wasn't the same Curry that night. Coming into the ring, he didn't have that look on his face. He got hit in the first round and got shook up. I don't think he really had his mind on the fight.

THE RING: You have been quoted in the past as saying you would wait until Curry moved up to junior middleweight before making your move on the welterweight title. Does Curry's defeat change your timetable?

BRELAND: Well, it's basically the same, but things have changed a lot because Curry can't make the weight any more. It's not that I was hiding from Curry, it was just a matter of time and experience.

FINKLE: I'd like to add something to that. Mark has only had 15 pro fights. Although he had a great amateur career, the first three of four pro fights, he was going through a learning process. And I'm sure you've seen a change come about. In some ways, Mark is to Curry the way Curry was to Ray Leonard at the same point in his career. We still feel Mark will fight Curry eventually, but it will be as a junior middle or a middleweight.

THE RING: To date, your pro fights have been relatively easy. Have any of your opponents even given you a scare?

BRELAND: No, not really. But I fought this guy Steve Little. He was a very akward fighter. Even he didn't know what he was going to do next. That threw me off a little bit. But as far as my fights being easy; they weren't. I've fought tough opponents. John Munduga was rated number six. I also fought the ESPN champion, Troy Wortham. He was undefeated at the time.

THE RING: In the opinion of many observers, you could probably beat any welterweight in the top ten. Let's take a look of some of your possible future opponents and see what, if any, problems they might give you. Let's start with Marlon Starling.

BRELAND: He's pretty akward. He's also got a great defense. The one thing I like about Starling is that he comes right at you. That's my kind of fight. I think I

can overcome his defense with my jab.

THE RING: What about Simon Brown?

BRELAND: I saw a tape of him fighting Shawn O'Sullivan, and O'Sullivan was made for him; a stand-up puncher. Brown can punch pretty good, but I also saw him fight Starling and he constantly ran. That's the only problem he might give me, constant running.

THE RING: Most organizations rank Tommy Ayers very high on their list of contenders. What's your opinion of him?

BRELAND: I've seen him fight plenty of times. He's a good fighter. I take nothing away from Ayers. I think he's a converted southpaw. He uses his left hand constantly, but he slaps with his right. But overall, he's a pretty good fighter.

THE RING: The welterweight championship is one of the few unified titles in boxing. What, in general, do you think about the various governing bodies such as the WBA, WBC and IBF?

"He's (Lloyd Honeyghan) not the most exciting fighter. There's no science about him, he's just real tough."

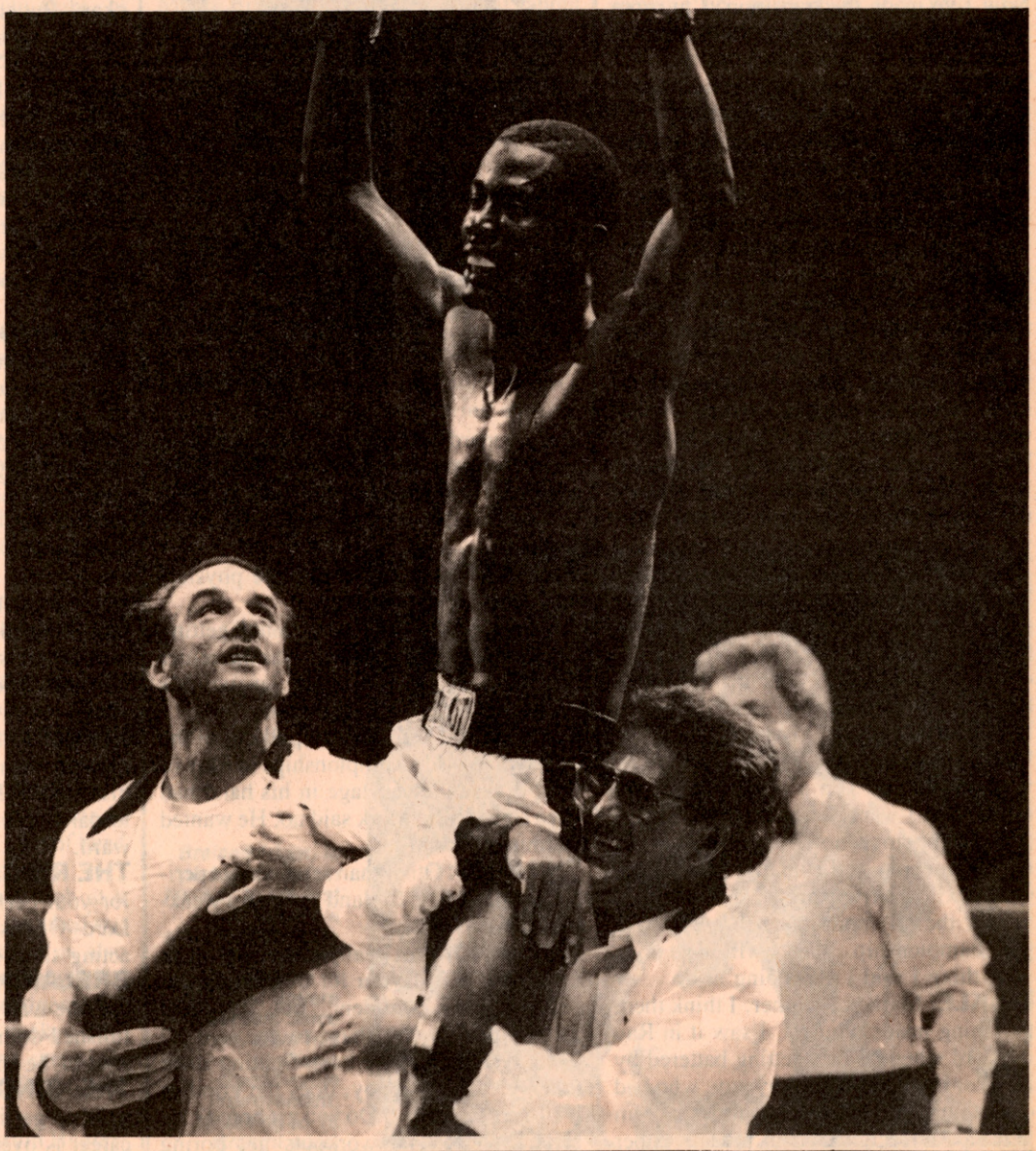
BRELAND: They're giving everybody a chance to fight for a title. Everyone wants to see themselves rated. And everybody can't be in the WBC or WBA. There's lots of good fighters out there in the IBF and USBA.

THE RING: Do you approve of the WBC shortening their title fights from 15 to 12 rounds?

BRELAND: I think it should be like it used to be. After all, Muhammad Ali always went 15 rounds.

THE RING: You were the subject of much criticism during the early part of your pro career. It was as if people were expecting too much too soon. Has the criticism tapered off now?

BRELAND: I think it's died down a little bit. When I first turned pro, everybody was looking for knockouts. They expected me to go out, hit the guy, and that would be it. But in the amateurs I had the physical advantage over most of my opponents. I sometimes got over because of my height and punching ability. At first, in the pros,



A blood-streaked Mark Breland is paraded around the ring in a scene from an upcoming episode of the TV hit "Miami Vice."

"I don't mind getting hit. I used to play football. I was the center and the smallest guy in the league. It's crazy, but I can deal with pain."

"I guess everybody dreams of one day being an actor. You know, when you are growing up and you see all those people on TV and think you'd like to be one of them one day."

I was a little sloppy. I pulled back a lot. I threw a lot of punches out of position. Now I've made the transition. I'm more stable now, more balanced. My jab is much better.

THE RING: Did all the negative things said and written about you bother you?

BRELAND: I didn't read a lot of that stuff they wrote about me because I didn't want to hear the criticism. And I didn't want to hear the good things either. I didn't want to be influenced one way or another.

FINKLE: There was a lot of extra pressure on Mark, but that comes with the territory. Personally, what I found very rewarding about Mark was that he realized that the pros were different. He could have said, "I was the greatest amateur, to hell with everything." But instead, he went back (to work) and made the adjustment. Now, I think most people would say he's the best welterweight there is. And time will tell whether they are right or not.

THE RING: Because you signed a lucrative pro contract after winning a gold medal in the '84 Olympics, you are not a "hungry fighter" in the traditional sense of the term. What is your main motivation? What drives you to excel?

BRELAND: To me, I'm hungry. I'm not financially secure to the point where I can give up boxing. I'm a hungry fighter. I know what I want. I want to win a world title. In the amateurs, I wanted to break all the records and win the New York Golden Gloves five times. Then, I wanted to win the Olympics. Now, I want that pro championship. Then I will have done everything I said I was going to do.

FINKLE: Mark is a winner. I think there is a thing inside winners. I saw it in Ray Leonard when he was getting battered by Hearns. Here was a wealthy guy, who had everything, but his pride wouldn't let him give up. In fact, I read in today's paper that Leonard said he was disapointed in Curry because he gave up against Honeygan. That wouldn't happen to Ray Leonard, and it wouldn't happen to Mark Breland.

THE RING: Do you enjoy the physical contact aspect of boxing?

BRELAND: Yes, I don't mind getting hit. I used to play football. I was the center and the smallest guy in the league. It's crazy, but I can deal with pain.

FINKLE: I asked Mark to pull out of the Amateur World Championships in May of '82 because the cartilage in his hand had been ripped. But Mark said no. He wanted to finish.

THE RING: Other than relative inexperience, does Mark Breland have any weaknesses as a fighter?

BRELAND: Not really. Mentally, I'm very strong. I have a lot of confidence. I'm not too confident, but confident enough to do what I have to do.

THE RING: You've been fighting since you were a young boy, does the grind of it all ever get to you? Do you get bored?

BRELAND: The workouts get boring sometimes. Sometimes, I get a guy to spar with and for the first couple of days he's okay. But then, after that, I've got him figured out and I can do whatever I want with him. It's no fun then because I don't want to really hurt my sparring partners. I like competition. I want my sparring to be just as challenging as my fights.

THE RING: Some fans draw comparisons between you and Thomas Hearns because you're both tall for your weight and you both have potent right hands. Do you see any similarities between the two of you?

BRELAND: Well, yeah. A lot of things I do, I see in Tommy. I've sparred with him a couple of times. Sometimes when we were sparring, we'd both make the same move at the same time. Then, we'd stop and laugh. We do have a lot in common, but from watching other great fighters like Ray Leonard and Roberto Duran, I believe I've learned more than Hearns has learned. I mean, even if I could knock everybody out, I'd still learn to hold. I'm not going to say I'm never going to get hurt. There's somebody out there who can hurt me. I don't know who, but it's possible.

FINKLE: I think Mark is more defensive minded than hearns. Hearns' defense is his offense. I've never seen him really try to parry. You always see him going forward.

THE RING: You received good reviews for your performance in the movie "The Lords Of Discipline." Have you done any acting since then?

BRELAND: I've done a few videos. I did one with the Pointer Sisters and I just finished doing a week of "Miami Vice." And I'll be doing another week next week.

THE RING: Is acting something you want to get into more when your boxing career is over?

BRELAND: Definitely. A lot of fighters like Ray Leonard and Marvin Hagler have all the money they need, but they don't have anything they love outside of boxing. They don't have anything they can fall back on. But with acting, I can still be in the limelight after my boxing career is over.

THE RING: Did you ever have any training as an actor?

BRELAND: I worked in an acting class a little. They had acting and yoga. But I just did the yoga. I would sit and watch the acting class. I thought they were crazy; just standing there and talking. But I guess everybody dreams of one day being an actor. You know, when you are growing up you see all these people on TV and think you'd like to be one of them one day.

THE RING: Which makes you more nervous; going into the ring to fight, or going before the cameras to act?

BRELAND: Going before the cameras.

THE RING: Why?

BRELAND: Well, in the ring I don't have to say anything. Acting is much harder because it's constantly hurry up and wait. You work 13, 14 hours a day for a few minutes of film. That's a lot of work.

THE RING: What do you think about the American Medical Association and other groups who are trying to ban boxing?

BRELAND: I think they're crazy. You look at boxing and it's a competitive sport, a science. But they look at it like it's a dog fight, two guys just whacking each other to death. But you have to outsmart the other guy. You have to be a thinking fighter. Look at football. You've got more injuries in football than you have in boxing. Look at Darryl Stingley, he's paralyzed for life.

THE RING: What is your opinion of the thumbless and the attatched-thumb gloves?

BRELAND: I'm in favor of the attached-thumbs gloves. But the thumbless is harder because your hand is in a bad position. You can't make a tight fist. But the attatched-thumb glove is much better.

THE RING: Do you favor headgear in the pros? Would they prevent a lot of head injuries?

BRELAND: No, they should look at a lot of my amateur fights. I've knocked out a lot of guys wearing headgear. You also see a lot of guys with headgear on getting knocked out in the gym. Headgear just prevents cuts. You still get knocked out.

THE RING: Present company excluded, who is the best fighter pound-for-pound, active today?

BRELAND: I would say Marvin Hagler.

"There's somebody out there who can hurt me. I don't know who, but it's possible."

He's beaten everybody.

THE RING: We've talked a lot about Mark Breland the fighter, what about Mark Breland the man? What, for instance, is your favorite TV show?

BRELAND: Well, I'd better say "Miami Vice." (laughter all round) No, I like the "Cosby Show" and "Family Ties." I'm a comedy guy. I like lots of comedy.

THE RING: How about your taste in music?

BRELAND: I listen to lots of different kinds of music. I like Rick James. He's one of my favorites. I like a lot of jazz; Earl Klugh. I also like lots of reggae artists.

THE RING: What advise would you give a young man who is considering a career as a boxer?

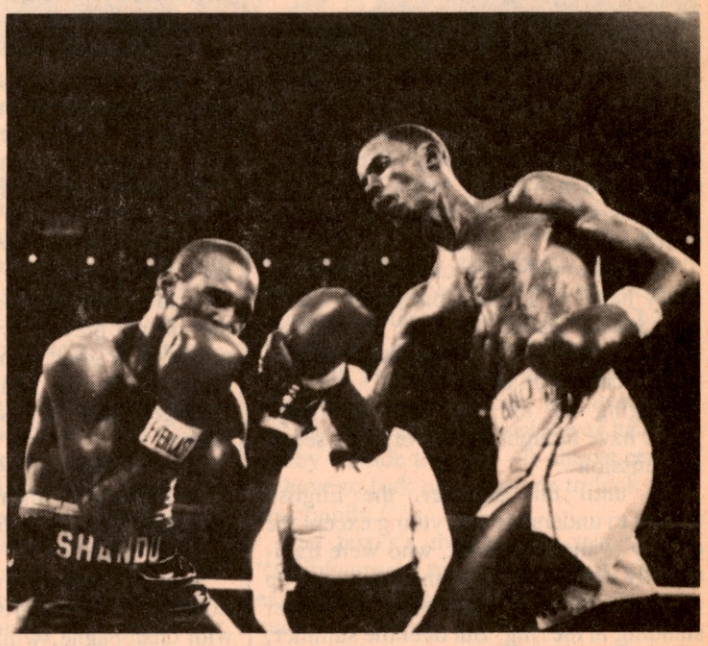
BRELAND: I would tell him he has to really love boxing, more than anything else. You have to have a great deal of discipline. You have to have a strong mind. You're going to have good days and you're going to have bad days. Some bad days can be very bad. Boxing changes people. It's changed me mentally. I was very high strung. I used to get hyped up. But boxing has calmed me down. To be a boxer you have to be able to take a lot of criticism. You have people walking up to you and saying you can't beat this guy, you can't beat that guy. Believe it or not, I have people walking up to me and saying I can't beat Mike Tyson.

FINKLE: (laughing) Jim Jacobs told me Tyson wouldn't fight Mark because he has too long of a reach.

THE RING: Well Mark, that about covers everything. Is there anything you would like to add?

BRELAND: I would like to tell the kids growing up, particularly kids who want to enter sports, to stay off drugs. That's the main thing in sports right now. Lots of top notch athletes perform so well and the next thing you know, it's in the paper that they are using cocaine, or something. So a kid might be tempted to think that if this athlete did it, he can do it too. He might even have a few good games. But after a while, the drugs will catch up. □

Editor's Note: One point Breland and Finkle wish to clarify: In the November '86 issue of *The Ring*, in a "Boxer Shorts" feature on Canadian welterweight Wayne Gordon, it stated that Breland was knocked down by Gordon during an Olympic bout. In fact, although Mark was given a "standing-eight" count, he was never off his feet.



Breland (right) is pictured here on his way to his first pro victory, a six-round decision over Dwight Williams in Madison Square Garden. Since then, Mark has shown considerable improvement, streaking to 15 straight wins.

HONEYGHAN'S HOMECOMING

Honeymoon Soon Over As British Press Rip Champion's Personal Life

by Jonathan Scott Shapiro

PHOTOS BY DEREK ROWE

Championship belt around his waist, Honeyghan takes a turn leading the band during his homecoming victory parade.

IN LATE SEPTEMBER, IRELAND WAS still getting over the fact that Barry McGuigan had lost his title in June. In London, the thud of Frank Bruno's heavyweight body crashing to the canvas still echoed in Wembly Arena, where Tim Witherspoon had retained his WBA title in July.

And a normal-sized chap with the unlikely name of Lloyd Honeyghan was in the States, about to face unbeatable Donald Curry, the undisputed welterweight champion of the world.

Judging by the pre-flight publicity, you'd have thought he was off on a secret spy mission.

Up until this summer, the English tended to understate everything except the quality of their pugilists, who were traditionally touted as outstanding, right up until the moment they were no longer standing in the ring. But over the summer, even the most supportive fans had reason to question the home-grown talent. First, their greatest champion had been punished by a 9 to 1 underdog replacement in Las Vegas. Then their greatest heavyweight hope was launched on his bid for a title with more public confidence than sent off the Titanic. Bruno stepped in against a seemingly beatable opponent, and was holding his own before slipping beneath the waves in the 10th round in front of 60,000 highly disappointed [and eventually riotous] fans.

Understandably, any Englishmen even aware of Honeyghan's title shot were left with an uncomfortable sense of *deja vu*. They had been down this road before. Championship fights involving British boxers were beginning to take on the quality of Greek tragedy—you knew the Brit was going to lose. The interesting part was seeing how badly and how soon.

With a keen knowledge of past fistic failures, the folks back home wished Honeyghan all the best and promptly made him a 6 to 1 underdog. National spirit was one thing—betting a sure loser was another.

"I did not mind being ignored," Honeyghan said afterward. "I was not out for publicity, I was out to become world champion."

Newspapers which had devoted large amounts of space for pre-fight information in the case of McGuigan and Bruno were strangely silent. One carried a short article describing Colin Jones' advice to his countryman. One of Curry's earlier victims, Jones told Honeyghan to take the next flight back to London, or else prepare for a "hiding."

If a plumber put McGuigan's dreams down the drain, and a seemingly bloated Witherspoon sank Bruno, then a big gun like Curry would surely send Honeyghan back across the ocean in pieces.

But a funny thing happened to Donald Curry on the way to the Caesars boxing forum in Atlantic City. He became a mortal. Lloyd Honeyghan proved to the world that warm beer, pub food, and rainy weather do not prevent a man from throwing or taking a good punch. While England slept, the British underdog bull-dog had defanged and skinned the Lone Star Cobra.

The victory earned the 26-year-old more letters after his name than an Oxford professor. He now holds the WBA, WBC, and IBF titles.

Back in England, shock set in. In South London, Honeyghan's parents celebrated with champagne, while his sister sported a shirt which read: "The Bravest Brother in the World." She added with a traditional sense of English nationalism: "We are all tremendously proud. Lloyd worked so hard, and he deserves it. It has been a wonderful night for Britain."

Maybe it was. Said one cabbie, upon hearing the news: "Great, but who the hell is Lloyd Honeyghan?"

On Monday, he and the rest of the country found out. Most papers ran the result as front page news, with *The Daily Mail* referring to "the biggest boxing upset win of all. More of a surprise than when Cassius Clay beat Sonny Liston in 1964, and certainly the greatest in British history." *The Times* also saw it in historical terms, as "the most memorable victory in British boxing since Randolph Turpin took the middleweight title from Sugar Ray Robinson 35 years ago." The *Daily Mirror* ran a full, front-page picture of the new champion, with the caption: "King of the World," while *The Sun* announced "Honey's in the Money." BBC radio broadcasts began simply: "Lloyd Honeyghan is the man of the hour."

Everybody but the fighter was surprised. For months, Honeyghan was telling anyone who cared to listen that he was a serious contender (*The Ring*, Aug. 1986). He had earned his shot back in May, when he stopped Horace Shufford in the eighth round of their WBC title eliminator at Wembly Arena, but few people except trainer Bobby Neil and manager Mickey Duff had much confidence in any part of Curry's unified title finding its way to England.

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Undisputed welterweight champion Lloyd Honeyghan is honored by the Mayor of Southwark upon his return to England.

Honeyghan had told me in July, and he proved it in September, when he predicted in a pre-fight press conference that he would "beat Curry's face in." Entering the ring in Atlantic City, his face set in a menacing stare, the Jamaican born Englishman seemed almost bored in the presence of fistic royalty.

"I wasn't bragging or anything," he explained later, "I was just telling it like it was."

They say it isn't bragging if you do what you say you are going to do. Curry was a shocking and sad sight when it was over. His broken nose and cut face [which would need 20 stitches] served as strong evidence that he had fought to defeat as he had fought so many times to victory—as a true champion.

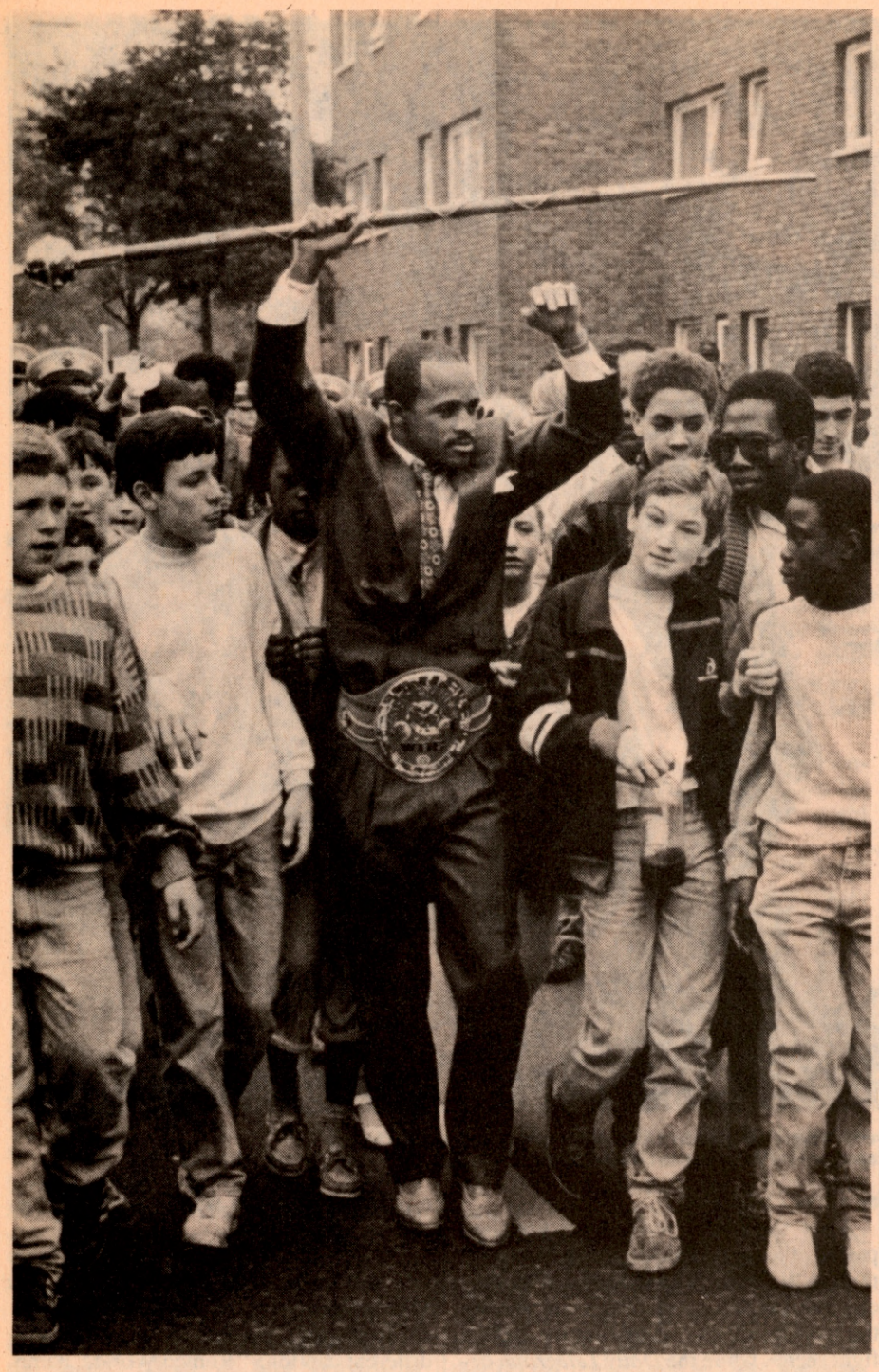
After the initial thrill of victory had passed, the press quickly moved from reporting the news to analyzing it. The serious-minded *Times* ran a story considering the number of immigrants on the British fight scene, while the *Daily Telegraph* described the poverty in Honeyghan's hometown.

Meanwhile, the tabloids, always eager for an eye-catching headline, did not need to look far into the new champion's past to get one. Within days of his victory, it was clear that Honeyghan's honeymoon with the press was going to be short-lived.

In boxing and in life, it is a safe bet that winning is better than losing. But that is not to say that winning does not extract a price. Honeyghan was about to get the bill for notoriety.

On October 1, while the new champion was still in the United States, *The Daily Mirror* again ran the boxer's picture on the front page, but this time, with a very different caption. "Romeo World Champ Has Four Kids by Three Girls," it announced. The story continued: "Lloyd has kept his sexy past a secret. But now randy Lloyd—who lists love making as his only hobby outside the ring—is almost certain to have to fork out a fortune to look after his 'family.'"

The boxer's mother was reported as "visibly upset" by the news. Duff, always eager to emphasize the positive, was quoted as saying that his boxer was an



Honeyghan is surrounded by young admirers in the Elephant and Castle neighborhood where he lives.

excellent father. Honeyghan denied nothing, but made it clear he would rather not talk about it. "I'm on friendly terms with all of them. I've spent $3,000 in New York on clothes for myself and presents for all my kids."

But *The Daily Mirror* knew a sure seller when it had one, and was in no mood to let the subject die there. On October 3, Honeyghan's picture again graced the front page, this time with the caption, "Honey, You're a Rat! By the Mum of Two of His Kids." The story sought to rebut any of the fighter's claims to being a good father, and suggested that Honeyghan had warned one of the mothers of his four children not to talk to the press.

It was getting hard to remember that Honeyghan was a fighter, not the star of a BBC television soap opera. He lashed back at the story. "It's all lies. I love my kids, and I will always look after them. The money I make is an investment to give them the best start in life and send them to private school."

Honeyghan returned to Heathrow Airport to a champagne reception, and plans were already underway for a series of parades and celebrations. In a radio interview, the boxer spoke of his desire to help young people, and urged them to stay away from drugs. "It makes me real happy to meet everybody and thank them for their support," he said.

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Several days later, a story running in *Today* claimed that Honeyghan was considering moving to the United States. "I would not want to live there permanently," he explained. A change of location may allow him more training opportunities, but it would endear him to very few here. It was becoming painfully clear that the new champ had some public image work to do in a hurry.

With that in mind, he hired business manager Eric Hall. "Lloyd's taking me on to help him get some good publicity and maybe some deals," Hall said, admitting that the job may not be so easy. "You really can't make an image—a person is what he is. If Lloyd is outrageous, then that's just him."

In a nation that has always loved the self-deprecating, modest sports hero, the supremely confident, even brash Honeyghan may have to change his tune slightly to gain the kind of popularity he would clearly love to have. His idol has always been Ali, but he would do well to study the career of one of The Greatest's

opponents, Henry Cooper, who has made a fortune since retirement through endorsements. In England, nice guys don't finish last in the battle for commercial contracts.

Under the direction of Hall, things might improve. Appearing on television recently in an interview with David Frost, Honeyghan even came off just a little bit modest.

Personal affairs aside, the evidence is strong that Honeyghan will grow into the championship and hold it for awhile. Without Curry, the welterweight division looks like a Republican Party presidential primary—there are a lot of vaguely familiar names, but certainly nobody about to dominate the field as the former champ did. At this point, plans are underway for a defense of the IBF belt, most probably against Johnny Bumphus, but it is anybody's guess when or where that might take place.

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"I would like to fight in London, because I am a national hero here," Honeyghan said recently. "But it will probably be in the U.S., I hope before the end of the year."

As one hardened boxing writer once told me, as long as there are contracts, lawyers and promoters, don't start talking about a championship fight until both guys are in the ring. With all those belts around his waist, Honeyghan's going to have a lot of masters around his neck, demand a lot of defenses.

And what did all this mean to British boxing? "My win puts it back on the map—its given the nation a real lift," Honeyghan reported.

Fans here will now tell you that his victory was not really unexpected, because, after all, he was British, Commonwealth, and European Champion. Just two days after the victory, newspapers were already promoting a young welterweight who, though he had yet to go 10 rounds, was said to be a potential successor to Honeyghan. Promoter Mike Barret talked about Herol Graham as the next great middleweight, and Graham mentioned something about "over-rated American champions." Colin Jones said he can take the title from Honeyghan, and keep it in England. Maybe Bruno and Cooper will come back, and then there is always Horace Notice. Anybody seen Joe Bugner lately?

The English have gotten all the old faith back. □

Honeyghan
shows off his WBA belt, one of the three he won by beating Donald Curry.

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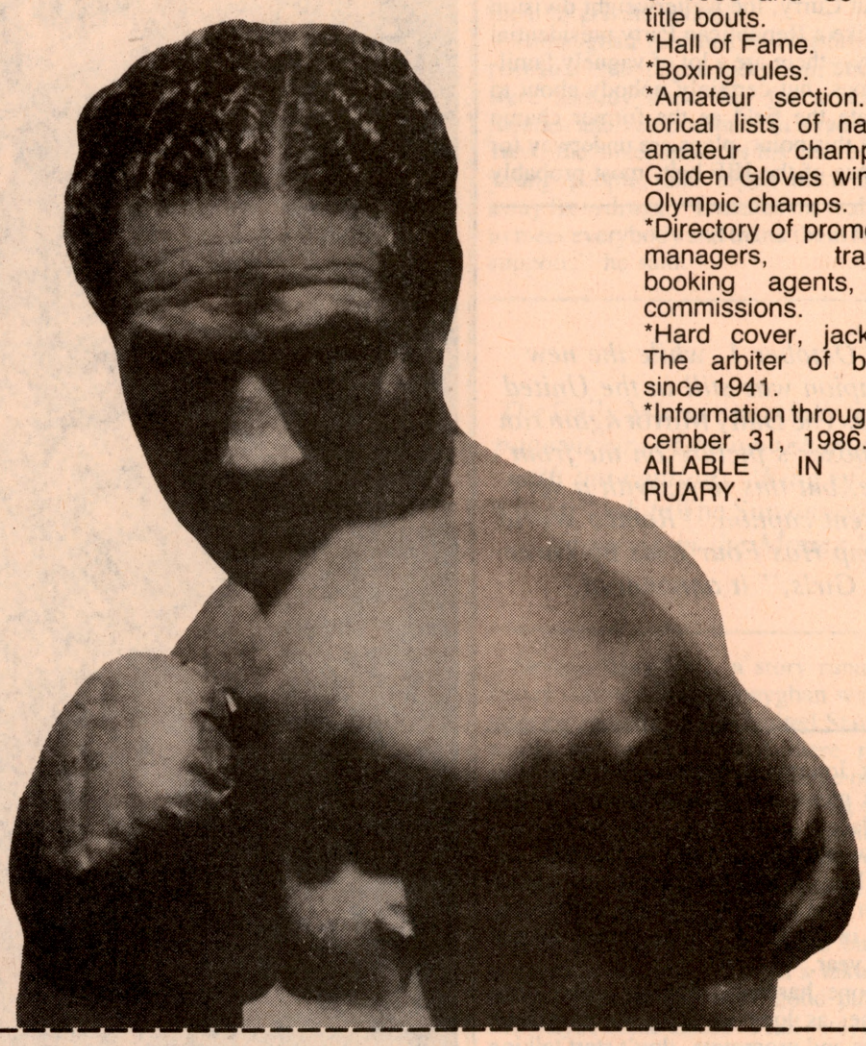

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JOHNSON & FITZSIMMONS:

STILL DEAD AFTER ALL THESE YEARS

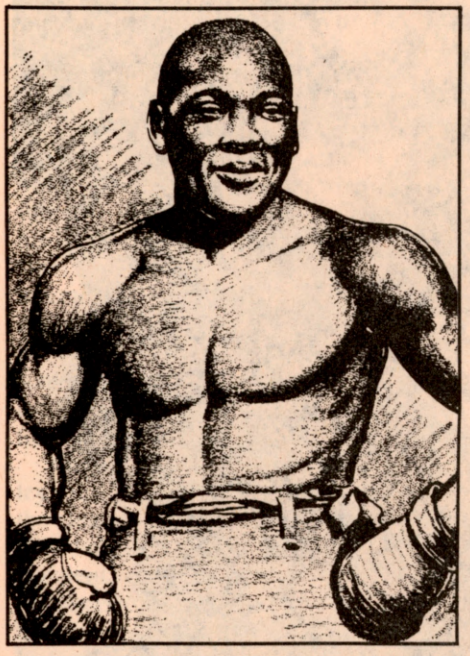
by Charles D. Brown

GENERALLY, THERE ARE FEW THINGS harder to find or less rewarding to visit than the grave of a famous person. But an historic cemetery in Chicago is not only easy to find, it holds particular interest for hard core boxing buffs. It is the final resting place for two great heavyweight champions—Bob Fitzsimmons and Jack Johnson.

Graceland Cemetary is located at 400 North Clark Street, about five blocks from Wrigley Field, home of baseball's Chicago Cubs. It's open from 8 am until 4:30 pm, seven days a week. There is an easy-to-decipher map of the important gravesites available at the main office.

In addition to housing the graves of Johnson and Fitzsimmons, Graceland also contains the remains of noted detective Allan Pinkerton and William Hulbert, who founded baseball's National League and has a baseball-shaped tombstone.

Fitzsimmons, who knocked out Jim Corbett for the heavyweight title in 1897 and held it until 1899, was also



middleweight (1891-97) and light heavyweight (1903-05) champion. Despite his great accomplishments inside the ring, "Ruby Robert" was not a very splashy fellow. His gravestone reflects his lifestyle. Without a map, you'd never find it.

If you follow the map to section 12, you'll see a long row of elaborate mausoleums. Walk behind a mausoleum marked "Raffington" and you'll discover a small pink stone set deeply in the ground. The inscription reads, "TO THE MEMORY OF MY BELOVED HUSBAND, BOB FITZSIMMONS (1862-1917)." Apparently, Mrs. Fitzsimmons is not buried with her husband.

To find Johnson's grave, take the first left immediately across from Fitzsimmon's simple stone and on the left side you'll see a large stone that says simply "JOHNSON," nothing else. The big surprise is that the stone makes no mention of his ring career, which must have been a big letdown for a publicity hound like old Jack.

Perhaps an even bigger surprise is the small gravestone directly in front of Johnson's. It reads "ETTA DURYEA (1881-1912)." Jack had anywhere from four to six wives. I've lost count—which was probably Johnson's intention at the time—but Duryea was his third, and the first of his white wives. Unable to cope with the pressure of her controversial marriage, Duryea committed suicide in the middle of Johnson's term as heavyweight champion (1908-1915). Though Jack married several more times, Etta was apparently his favorite.

I discovered this unique cemetary in the book *Permanent Addresses (A Guide to the Resting Places of Famous Americans)* by Jean Arbeiter and Linda D. Cirino, published by M. Evans and Company in 1983. Oddly enough, the book contains a glaring error concerning Johnson's grave. The book claims Johnson's marker carries the words of the North Carolina State Trooper who pulled Jack out of his fatal auto wreck in 1946 ("Johnson—Is In Terrible Shape"). But no such words are to be found.

Incidentally, these two long-dead champions did once meet in the ring. It happened on July 17, 1907 in Philadelphia. Though Johnson was 29 and in his prime, Fitzsimmons was a creaky 45 and

well over the hill. Nevertheless, it was a real bout, not an exhibition. Johnson knocked out Fitzsimmons in the second round, adding an important "name" to his resume as the then-uncrowned heavyweight champion.

One can't help but wonder if the ghosts of these two old champions, buried just a gloves throw from each other, ever get together late at night and relive old times. Maybe even spar a bit.

Now that's a sight most boxing historians would gladly risk a midnight trip to the graveyard to witness. □

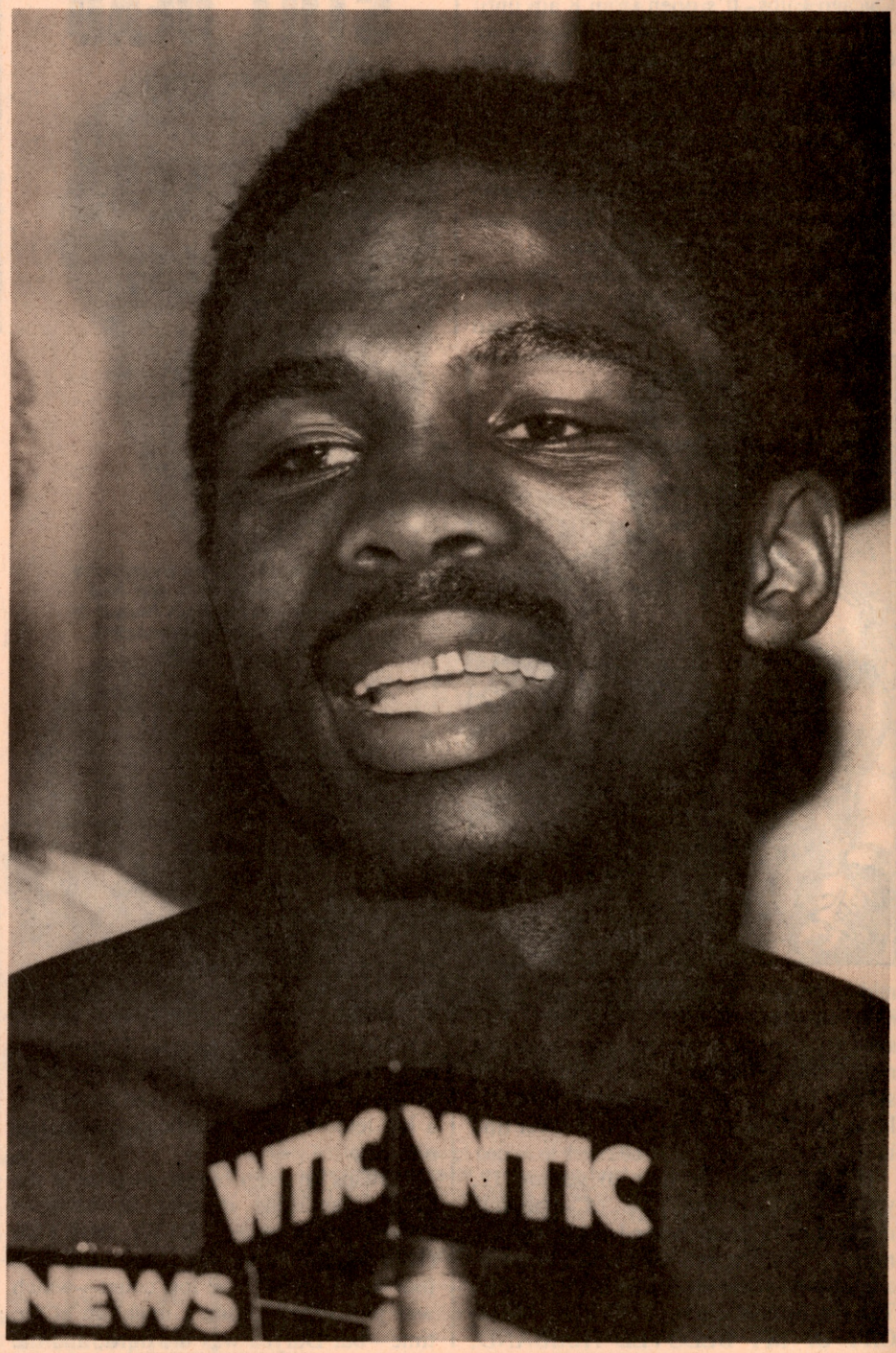
Former heavyweight champions Jack Johnson (left) and Bob Fitzsimmons are both buried in the same Chicago cemetery.

THE UNKNOWN CHAMPIONS

The first in an occasional series featuring some of boxing's lesser-known "champions." This month we profile:

JOE LOUIS MANLEY
IBF Junior Welterweight Champion

by Jack Obermayer



An unmarked Joe Louis Manley greets the press following his sparkling knockout victory over Gary Hinton for the IBF junior welterweight title in Hartford, Connecticut.

PHOTO BY PETE GOLDFIELD

THE OLD LAMENT, "I COULD'A BEEN A contender," had some merit back in the 1930s and '40s. Today, "I could'a been a champion" may not have as much clout. How many "world champions" are there, anyway? Who knows? Who cares? Who can keep up with it all?

With such a menagerie of title holders wandering around, even boxing's zealots stumble when attempting to name each and every one of them. Winning a version of a world title—and we have 46 of them—no longer brings instant fame and fortune. These days, many champions are almost as anonymous as their contenders.

The new International Boxing Federation junior welterweight champion, Joe Louis Manley, is a good case in point. Manley, 27, is no Johnny-come-lately. A native of Detroit, he turned pro in December of 1981 following a distinguished 87-8 amateur career. Nevertheless, when he returned to the Motor City after stopping Gary Hinton for the IBF crown in Hartford, Connecticut, Joe wasn't exactly handed the key to the city.

"I was a little disappointed," said Manley. "But I don't fight out of the Kronk Gym, and if you're a Detroit fighter and

you're not a member of the Kronk team, it's hard to get publicity."

It had been an excruciatingly long haul to the top for Manley. Along the way, he'd often taxed the tolerance of interested parties to the breaking point. In many bouts, Manley just didn't seem to fight up to his potential. And potential unrealized can be more frustrating than no potential at all.

Along the way, many fans crossed Manley off their list of possible champions. They figured he was just another pretty amateur without the drive and ambition needed to go all the way. Some critics said Joe made an art of posing rounds away.

Manley is the first to admit his past shortcomings.

"I was real lackadaisical in some of my fights," confessed Manley. "I'm a real laid back kind of guy. I need someone in back of me pushing."

It took a loss to Ronnie Shields to turn both Manley's attitude and career around.

"The loss to Shields woke me up," claimed Joe. "I knew I had to do something or get left behind. So I got two new trainers, Bill Miller and Luther Burgess. They motivate me, get me to do the things I have to do in order to be at my best."

Born in Lima, Ohio on June 11, 1959, Manley moved to Detroit when he was four. He trained at the Kronk Gym during his early amateur days, but drifted away from Emanuel Stewart's sweat shop when he entered the U.S. Army. He won numerous military titles and earned a berth on the 1980 Olympic team by beating Frankie Randall. When the United States boycotted the '80 Olympics, Manley decided to turn pro.

While boxing on the Army team, Manley met fellow serviceman James Broad, the team's super heavyweight. When Broad signed a pro contract with the management team of Stan Hoffman and Bob Mittleman, he suggested they also take a look at his little buddy. Mittleman and Hoffman liked what they saw and have managed Joe ever since.

When Mittleman and Hoffman brought Manley east to train, he settled in New Jersey, polishing his skills under the tutelage of Wesley Mouzon and Bill Savage. It was while living in Lindenwold, New Jersey, that Joe met his wife, Angie. They now have a 10-month-old son, Jamal.

At first, Manley's career went smoothly. His crisp, fluid counterpunching style had many jaded Atlantic City connoisseurs taking note. Even his initial pro defeat, a 10-round decision to Harry Arroyo, was written off by most observers as a bad call. But following a solid win over Al Carter in August of '83, Joe lost a feeble, bow-bow outing to Gene Hatcher in Las Vegas. After dominating the first two rounds, he faded and allowed Hatcher to take control. It was not a pretty sight, especially for someone being groomed as a champion.

Though he won all seven of his bouts in 1984, it seemed Manley was just going through the motions. He got a shot at Shields' NABF junior welterweight title in New York City early the next year, but dropped a 12-round decision for the third loss of his career.

Realizing a drastic change was needed, Joe packed up his family and moved back to Detroit where he began working with Miller and Burgess at the Coleman Young Recreation Center. They slowly transformed Manley into an aggressive fighter, the sort who comes forward behind a popping jab. The change didn't come overnight, but by the time Manley faced Hinton for the Philadelphian's USBA 140-pound belt in August of '85, he was a much improved fighter.

The first Hinton-Manley bout was a see-saw war, but Hinton managed to hang onto the crown with a draw. Perhaps more important than the result was the fact that it had been an exciting fight from the spectator's point of view. Manley followed the Hinton draw with a decision over one-time prospect Frank Montgomery, while Gary went on to capture the vacant IBF crown by beating Reyes Cruz.

Manley put himself in line for a shot at Hinton by outpointing veteran contender Howard Davis in Atlantic City. It was a close fight, but Manley scored two knockdowns over the elusive Davis to take the nod and become the mandatory challenger for the IBF crown.

The rematch with Hinton proved difficult to sell to TV, but finally landed in Hartford on Madison Square Garden's cable. It was another thriller, with Manley having to go all-out to wrest the title from the stubborn champion.

"Gary is a good fighter," said Manley. "He sure didn't want to give up his title. But when the going got tough, all I could think about was the first Frazier-Ali fight, when Frazier just kept coming until he finally got to Ali. But it was worth it. I feel super good. My dream has come true."

Is it too late to reshape the marketability of Manley? Is he doomed to be just another faceless champion because he neither flies like the "Hawk" or smiles like "Sugar"? It's difficult to say. A quiet fellow outside the ring, Manley would rather go fishing or stay at home with the wife and kid than attend a press conference. It's hard to imagine him developing into the kind of ham who cuts the mustard with the beer and hot dog crowd. But he's learned to adapt his fighting style, so maybe he can also learn to growl a little at his opponents and smile a bit more for the fans.

However, Manley seems to be the sort of fighter who will have to rely on his ring performances to attract a following. In the long run, it will be his punch, not his personality, that keeps him in the public eye.

Of course, if he continues knocking out guys the way he did Hinton, Manley won't be an unknown champion much longer. □

THE PROFESSIONAL RING RECORD OF JOE LOUIS MANLEY

Detroit, Michigan junior welterweight
Born: June 11, 1959
Managers: Stann Hoffman and Bob Mittleman
Trainers: Bill Miller and Luther Burgess

DATE	OPPONENT	SITE	RESULT
	1981		
Dec. 26	Mauri Saalakhan	Atlantic City	W6
	1982		
Feb. 9	Terry Butler	Atlantic City	KO3
Mar. 16	Cedric Barkley	Atlantic City	KO1
Apr. 1	David Brown	Atlantic City	W8
Apr. 20	James Singleton	Atlantic City	KO3
May 18	Mike Blunt	Atlantic City	KO6
July 18	Carlos Santana	Atlantic City	W8
Sept. 14	Arturo Leon	Atlantic City	W10
Oct. 30	Harry Arroyo	Atlantic City	L10
	1983		
Jan. 6	Al Carter	Atlantic City	W10
Mar. 31	Tom Baker	Atlantic City	W10
July 5	Glen Burnette	Atlantic City	KO2
July 29	Darrell Mitchell	New York City	KO1
Aug. 30	Al Carter	Atlantic City	KO7
Nov. 12	Gene Hatcher	Las Vegas	L12
	1984		
Feb. 7	Bobby Johnson	Atlantic City	KO3
Mar. 13	Cesar Guzman	Philadelphia	W8
Apr. 27	Andre Wynn	New York City	KO1
May 25	Terry Whitaker	New York City	W10
June 29	Victor Babilonia	New York City	W10
Sept. 26	Charles Allen	New York City	KO7
Dec. 14	Terry Whitaker	New York City	KO7
	1985		
Feb. 5	Fred Pendleton	Atlantic City	W10
Mar. 25	Ronnie Shields (NABF Junior Welterweight Title)	New York City	L12
July 10	George Brown	Atlantic City	KO7
Aug. 23	Gary Hinton (USBA Junior Welterweight Title)	Atlantic City	D12
Nov. 21	Frank Montgomery	Atlantic City	W10
	1986		
Feb. 28	Howard Davis	Atlantic City	W10
July 26	Sammy Young	Glen Falls	W6
Oct. 30	Gary Hinton (Won IBF Junior Welterweight Title)	Hartford	KO10

SUMMARY

TOTAL BOUTS	WINS	LOSSES	DRAWS	KOs
30	26	3	1	13

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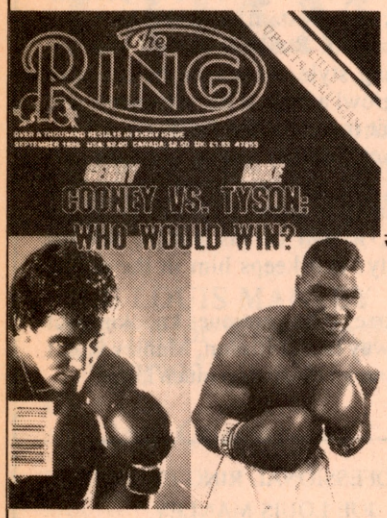

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ASK THE ANSWERMAN

Jack Blackburn (left) prepares Joe Louis for a sparring session at his Pompton Lakes training camp. Blackburn was also a top contender for both the lightweight and welterweight titles during his fighting days.

Q: When and where did Louis (Kid) Kaplan make his pro boxing debut?

MICHAEL BUSCHEV
Syracuse, N.Y.

A: *Kaplan, who held the world featherweight title from January 2, 1925 until he gave up the crown because of weight making difficulties in 1927, had his first professional bout against Kid Black in New Jersey in 1919. Kaplan was then 18 years of age.*

Q: Did Jack Blackburn ever hold a world title?

HORACE J. MARTIN
Lexington, Ky.

A: *Blackburn, who trained several world champions—including, most notably, Joe Louis—never held a world crown. He was, however, a top contender for the lightweight and welterweight crowns from 1903 through 1908. Blackburn was a great fighter, rated by contemporaries as no more than a notch below his great rival, Joe Gans.*

Q: Did Hugo Kelly ever hold a world title?

G. MODICA
Palermo, Sicily, Italy

A: *World middleweight champion Tommy Ryan announced his retirement in 1905 and declared Kelly (real name Ugo Micheli) his successor. Kelly's "title" was never taken seriously, but he continued to claim the championship until Stanley Ketchel knocked him out in the third round at the Coliseum in San Francisco on July 31, 1908.*

Q: Who was Lew Tendler's manager?

MAX GOLDSTEIN
New York, N.Y.

A: *Tendler, the Philadelphia southpaw who would have been world lightweight champion if Benny Leonard hadn't been around at the same time, was managed by Phil Glassman.*

Q: How many knockouts were scored by K.O. Bill Brennan?

FRITZ KESSEL
Elgin, Ill.

A: *Brennan, whom Jack Dempsey kayoed in the 12th frame of a hard fought scheduled 15-round heavyweight title bout in Madison Square Garden on December 14, 1920, scored 64 kayoes in 117 recorded professional bouts.*

Q: Who do you think would have won a fight between Larry Holmes and Sonny Liston, assuming both were in their primes?

JOHN S. CRAWFORD
Everett, Wash.

A: *Liston*

Q: Who holds the record for most one-round knockouts?

HARVEY BIHARI
Great Falls, Mont.

A: *Young Otto holds the record—42 first round kayoes among 70 total knockouts in 196 professional bouts from 1903 through 1923. Otto, whose real name was Arthur Susskind, served as a boxing judge in New York in his later years.*

Q: Who were the first boxing brothers to gain prominence in the gloved era?

MICHAEL OAKLEY
Fort Collins, Colo.

A: *There were so many fighting brothers that it's hard to say. William (Spike) Sullivan, the lightweight contender, and his brother, world featherweight champion Dave, come to mind.*

Q: Did anyone ever knock out the celebrated Joe Grim?

JAMES FARRARA
Gretna, La.

A: *Grim (real name Saverio Giannone), a lightweight, engaged in over 200 professional fights from 1902 through 1913, many of them against the leading lightweights, welters, middleweights, and heavies of his day. Jack Johnson, Bob Fitzsimmons, and a host of others tried, but only three men—Sailor Burke, Sam McVey, and Luther McCarthy—succeeded in knocking out the "Human Punching Bag," as Grim was called. (Some records say that Young Zeringer knocked Grim on in Pittsburgh on December 4, 1904. That is incorrect.)*

SOLID GOLD MAN

Two of the very best cutmen in the business— Ralph Citro (left) and Eddie Aliano. Citro is featured in this month's "Solid Goldman."

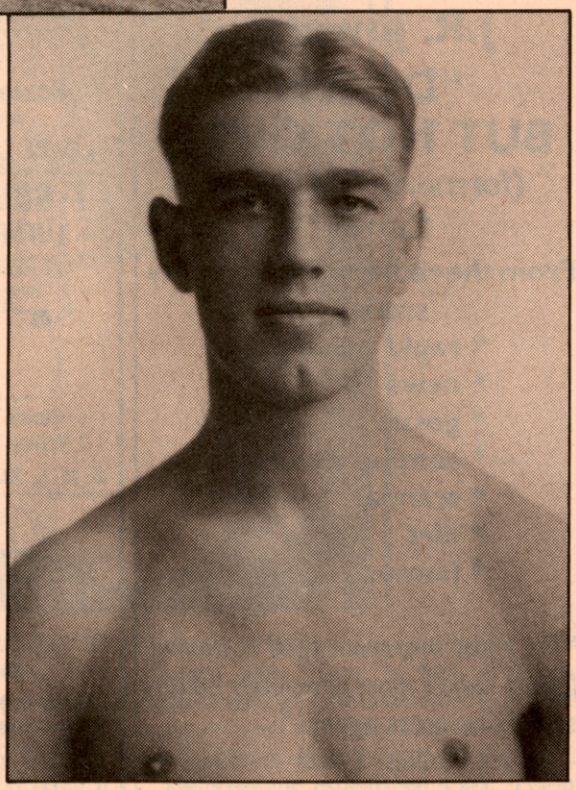
BOXING RECORD KEEPERS HAVE REALLY come into their own in the last decade. Robert Yalen (now the resident boxing sage at ABC-TV). Dr. Giuseppe Ballarati of Italy (editor and publisher of *Pugilato*, the outstanding annual with records of all boxers active in Europe), England's Barry J. Hugman (editor of the *British Boxing Yearbook*), Dean Lohuis of California (editor of the *Pacific Southwest Record Book*), Michigan's Dave Hartoon, Bill Miley (who puts out the *Mid-American Boxing News Record Book*), and Malcolm (Flash) Gordon (whose 1986 *East Coast Boxing Yearbook* is now off press), Ron Olver, Eric Armit, and Masahiro Miyazaki are just a few of the top men involved.

But the king of American record keepers is probably Ralph Citro, a 39-year resident of Blackwood, N.J. who founded Ralph Citro, Inc., "Boxing's Only Central Reporting Center," on November 1, 1981. Open an account with Citro and, for five dollars a phone call, you can have the complete record (since January 1, 1982) of virtually any fighter in the world. (Every call entitles you to get three records.)

Citro, an insurance agent for the past 22 years, was best known in boxing as a cut man before he bought his first Apple II and started keeping records. Ralph Citro, Inc. also publishes an annual "Computer Boxing Update," which features the previous year's record of every U.S. fighter (minimum three bouts, except for world contenders).

The sixty-year-old Citro and his wife, Nancy, have three sons, two daughters, and five grandchildren — Melissa (13), Rocky (five), Anne (three), Crissy (eight), and Stephanie (two). Ralph's successful insurance career has enabled him to give a great deal of his time to sports. From 1949 to 1955, he managed the semi-professional Blackwood Indians, winning seven divisional championships. He coached Babe Ruth League Baseball for six years, the St. Agnes Grammar School Basketball Team for four years, and was

Jackie (Kid) Berg



Pinky Mitchell

a head trainer in Midget Football from 1964 to 1970. Citro was a Boy Scout Merit Badge Counselor from 1955 to 1978.

As if that wasn't enough, he organized the Gloucester Township Basketball League in 1959 and served as a volunteer umpire in the Blackwood Little League for 35 consecutive years.

Citro has been active in show business as well—a licensed booking agent for variety and musical groups from 1964 to 1979, an artist's representative during the same period, and a member of Musician's Local 595. He's also served as president of the Blackwood Business Association.

Ralph has also been Sports Editor of *The Blackwood Observer* (1949-1966), *The Civic Press* (1948-1968), and *The News Ledger* (1959-1963). He's sponsored basketball, baseball, football, and girls' softball teams for over 20 years, and has presented Athletic Awards to all Grammar Schools in Gloucester Township, not to mention Highland High School, since 1964.

The only way his wife could see him, it would seem, is if she got involved in something Ralph was doing. Nancy Citro is the mainstay of Ralph's record keeping service, lending charm and patience to the hectic job of keeping and disseminating boxers' records.

Ralph, who has two other full-time record keepers in his employ, is still active as a cut man. He's been at it for 28 years, and is considered one of the best—on a level with the great Eddie (The Clot) Aliano. Citro has worked in 27 world championship fights since 1981, and is more in demand now than ever.

Citro's records have proved troublesome to some promoters, since any commissioner prudent enough to check on fighters' records with Ralph Citro, Inc. has invariably found some boxers claiming to be 14-4 who were really 2-20—and under suspension in some other state. It makes you wonder about all the commissioners who *don't* check with Ralph Citro —or anybody else. Is there any excuse?

Keep on going, Ralph!

The 1986-87 *Ring Record Book & Boxing Encyclopedia* will have a bunch of surprises for boxing history fans. Jimmy (Red) Herring is recognized as world junior welterweight champion from in 1925.

It was on March 27th of that year that Herring won on a foul in the ninth round of a scheduled 10 with Pinkey Mitchell, Richie's younger brother, who had been proclaimed world junior welterweight champion on November 15, 1922. A three-man "commission," based in Milwaukee and charged with "overseeing" Mitchell's title, refused to recognize Herring as the new champ, although Red had come in below the weight limit. Herring lost to Mushy Callahan on August 18th, and Callahan subsequently beat Mitchell on September 21, 1926, unifying the title.

Callahan, who recently died at the age of 80, started his career in 1923, not 1924 as the records have shown. He quit after losing his title to Jackie (Kid) Berg in London's Royal Albert Hall on February 18, 1930, but returned for three more fights in Hollywood in 1932—defeating Ralph Chong and Tod Morgan before being stopped in six by Baby Sal Sorio. That bout ended Callahan's career.

The 1986-87 *Ring Record Book* will also feature technical knockouts—indistinguishable from orthodox "knockouts" in the past. □

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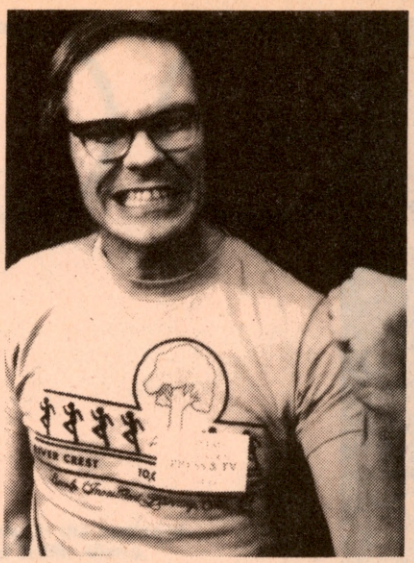

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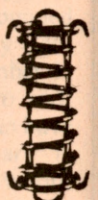

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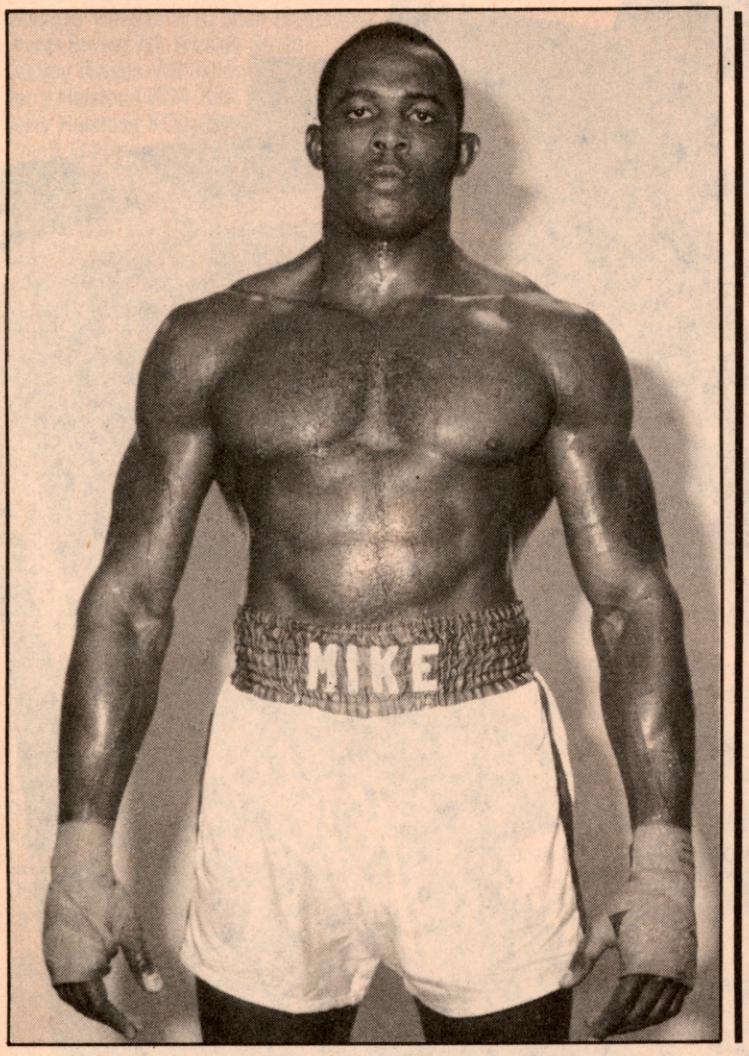

IT'S NOT UNUSUAL FOR A BOXER TO first attract attention while serving as a sparring partner for a more prominent fighter. Legend has it that Muhammad Ali was once booted out of Ingemar Johansson's training camp for making a monkey out of the champ. In more recent years, the shoe was on the other foot when Larry Holmes first established himself as one of Ali's sparmates. It's a story as old as boxing.

The latest prospect to make a name for himself in the gym against a better known fighter is Texas heavyweight Michael Williams. When Mike Tyson was preparing for his bout with Alfonzo Ratliff in Las Vegas, Williams drew rave reviews from the press for his scintillating gym sessions with Tyson. In fact, Williams fared so well with the undefeated knockout artist, veteran newspaper reporters could hardly believe their eyes.

Unlike some established stars, Tyson was happy to get the kind of workouts Williams provided and retained Mike as his chief sparring partner during his preperations for Trevor Berbick. Tyson's co-manager Bill Cayton was also impressed.

"Michael Williams is an exceptionally good fighter," said Cayton.

After Tyson's 10th round TKO over Jose Ribalta in Atlantic City, Tyson made a point of thanking Williams for his help at the post-fight press conference.

Williams, a native of Lafayette, Louisiana, now lives in Conroe, Texas. He began boxing at the age of eight and tallied an outstanding amateur record of 84-6, winning all 14 of his international bouts. He lost a close decision to Tyrell Biggs in the finals of the 1984 Olympic Trials and turned pro with a third-round kayo over Walter Morris in September of '84.

Jack Welsh, *The Ring's* Las Vegas correspondent, has had a good opportunity to observe Williams in action, both in the gym with Tyson and in actual combat.

"He's build like Adonis," said Welsh of the 6-foot-4, 220-pound Williams. "If you were going to sit down and build a fighter with an erector set, you'd build something like Michael Williams. But he's still an uncut diamond. He's powerful and has a good jab, but he tends to get a bit excited going for the knockout."

The fact that the unbeaten Williams has looked better in his gym workouts with Tyson than during actual competition has prompted some observers to lable him a "gym fighter." But Williams' trainer, Henry Harris, has an explanation for his fighter's inconsistency.

"In the gym against top fighters like Tyson, Williams is forced to jab and move, but in a real fight against lessor fighters, he has to become the aggressor," said Harris. "In other words, he's uses one style in training and then has to switch to another come fight time."

Of course, the best remedy to this dilemma is to start matching Williams with better opponents. Then, and only then, we will know for sure whether his future will be as a sparring partner or a headliner.

THE PROFESSIONAL RING RECORD OF MICHAEL WILLIAMS

Conroe, Texas heavyweight
Born: June 16, 1963
Manager: Jordan & Associates Boxing, Inc.
Trainer: Henry Harris

DATE	OPPONENT	SITE	RESULT
	1984		
Sept. 13	Walter Morris	Houston	KO 3
	1985		
Mar. 8	Guy Ramey	White Plains	W 4
Mar. 18	James Boyd	Houston	KO 3
Aug. 23	Ronald Turner	Altantic City	W 6
	1986		
Feb. 12	Carl Dorsey	Houston	KO 3
May 2	John Barbara	Conroe	KO 3
July 5	Terry Armstrong	Conroe	W 6
Oct. 17	Tommy Taylor	Las Vegas	KO 5

SUMMARY

TOTAL BOUTS	WINS	LOSSES	DRAWS	KOs
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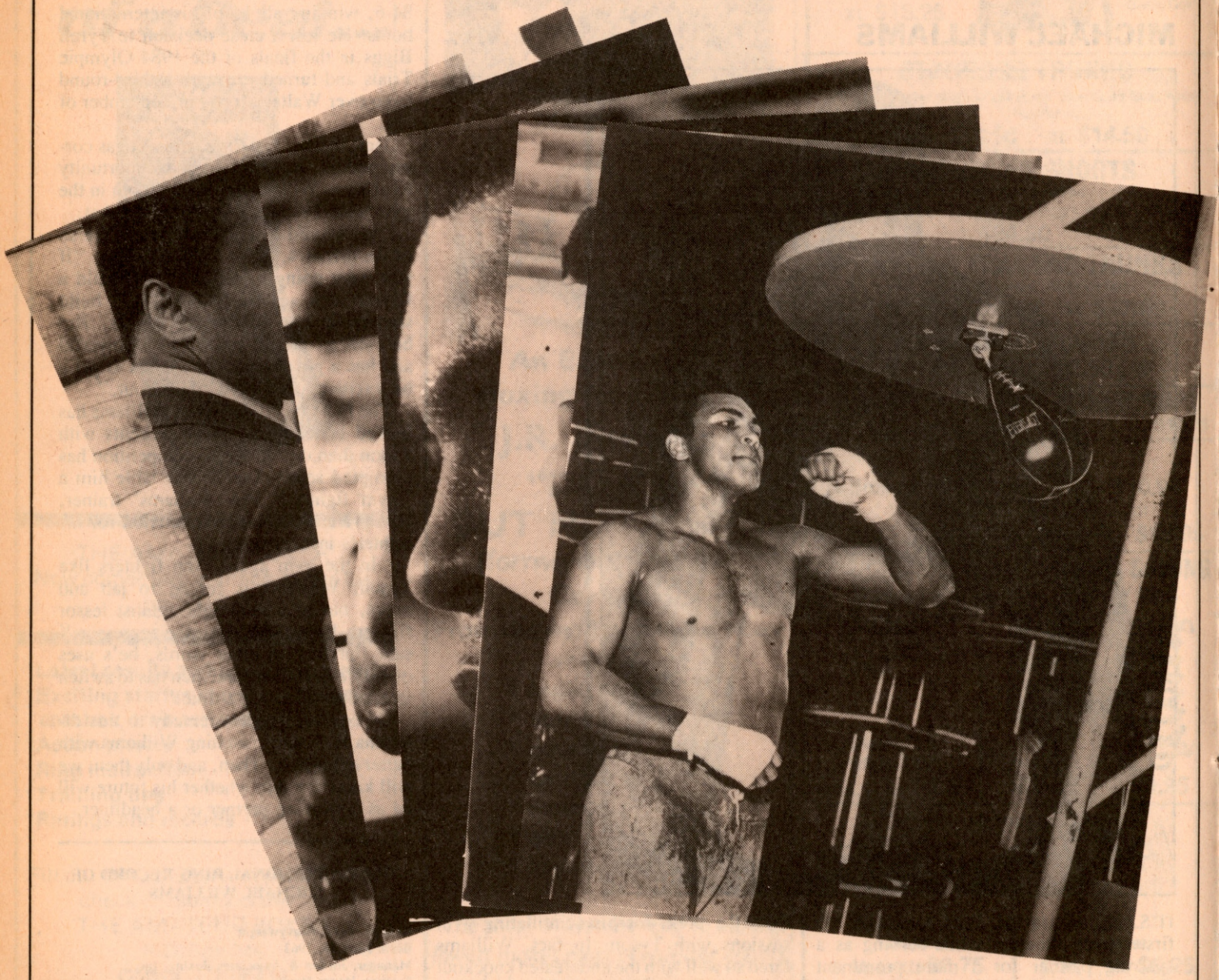

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Mauricio Villegas W10 Juan Hernandez
Phillip Brown W8 Wesley Smith
Conroy Nelson W8 Jimmy Gradson
Jerry Halstead KO4 Rick Kellar
Jerry Halstead KO4 Charles Atlas
Chuck Gardner W8 Jimmy Young
Bill Thomas TKO6 Woody Clark
Johnny du Plooy TKO4 Young Joe Louis
Johnny du Plooy TKO4 Steve Zouski
Dave Garside TKO9 John Westgarth
Hughroy Currie KO2 Glenn McCrory
Keith Ferdinand TKO1 Eddie Yelton

CRUISERWEIGHTS
Ricky Parkey TKO10 Lee Roy Murphy
(Won IBF Title)
Bert Cooper KO3 Spencer Chavis
(Retained NABF Title)
Henry Tillman W10 Tyrone Booze
Michael Greer KO4 Lupe Garcia
Uriah Grant TKO1 Abdullah Muhammad
James Warring TKO3 Eric Dixon

LIGHT HEAVYWEIGHTS
Juan D. Roldan W10 J.B. Williamson
Glenn Kennedy W12 Mike Sedillo
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Robert Folley W10 Eric Holley
Nicky Walker W10 Danny Blake
Chris Reid TKO4 Marcos Geraldo
Dawud Shaw TKO7 Nestor Flores
Kemper Morton TKO8 Vince Hopper
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Dean Moore W8 Bobby Jennings
Lenny LaPaglia KO5 John Cox

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Thomas Hearns W12 Doug DeWitt
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Iran Barkley W10 James Kinchen
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Michael Olajide KO10 Ray Ray Gray
Errol Christie W10 Sean Mannion
Michael Nunn KO1 Orlando Paulding
Lindell Holmes TKO4 Sammy Floyd
Darnell Knox W10 Cecil Pettigrew
Mark Holmes TKO3 Bryan Porreca
Steve Darnell TKO2 Ray Daniels
Jesus Gallardo KO1 Tommy Lozano
Anthony Crudup W8 Forest Pitts
Chris Tiozzo TKO4 Wesley Reid
Paul Whittaker TKO3 David McCluskey

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Mike McCallum KO9 Said Skouma
(Retained WBA Title)
Willie Harris TKO2 Donald Johnson
Earl Hargrove KO1 Lamont Haithcoach

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Junior middleweight Lupe Aquino (right) rocks Nathan Dryer en route to a fifth-round TKO victory in Las Vegas.

John David Jackson TKO3 Tony Ojo
Lupe Aquino TKO5 Nate Dryer
Duane Thomas TKO2 Bobby McCorvey
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WELTERWEIGHTS
Gene Hatcher TKO11 Darryl Anthony
(Won Vacant Cont. Americas Title)
Marlon Starling TKO4 Roberto Mendez
Rip Rettig W8 Anthony DeShields
Mark Breland TKO1 Ralph Twinning
David Gutierrez W10 Ray Morales
Ricky Stoner W12 Joe Garcia
(Won Vacant Texas State Title)
Tyrone Trice TKO8 Dennis Johnson
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(Won Vacant European Title)
Alex Medal TKO3 Cornelius Drane
Larry Benson TKO10 Willie Makitoki
Charles Nwokolo TKO6 Jaime Montano

JUNIOR WELTERWEIGHTS
Joe Louis Manley KO10 Gary Hinton
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Harold Brazier TKO10 Brian Baronet
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Othal Dixon KO2 J.D. Dobbins
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Floyd Favors W8 Joby Rivella
Tony Martin W8 John Rafuse
Ricky Lehman W8 Joe Belinc
Mickey Ward KO2 Carlos W. Brandi

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Mauricio Aceves TKO8 Ernie Landeros
Mo Hussein TKO1 Dean Melton
Tony Willis W10 Billy Buchanan
Rene Weller W8 Faisal Naifer
Sugar Gibiliru D8 Mohammed Lovelock

JUNIOR LIGHTWEIGHTS
Rocky Lockridge W10 Felipe Orozco
Nilo Alamag W10 Juan Paredes
Delio Palacios W10 Rogelio Lopez
David Rivello W10 Freddie Roach
Jose Vidal Concepcion KO10 Benji Marquez
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FEATHERWEIGHTS
Bobby Berna KO5 Victor Paredes
Hector Lopez W10 Bruno Babanales
Lupe Gutierrez KO2 Denzil Surrall
Valerio Nati TKO7 Christopher Diaz
Mauricio Stecca TKO6 Felix Cortez
Gary Maxwell W8 Nigel Senior

JUNIOR FEATHERWEIGHTS
Alfredo Rangel W10 Mario Gomez

BANTAMWEIGHTS
Kaosai Galaxy KO5 Israel Contreras
(Retained WBA Jr. Bantam Title)
Diego Avila W10 Antonio Gonzalez
Juan Jose Estrada KO6 Rodolfo Ortega
Jimmy Navarro TKO1 Joseph Paul
Eddie Rangel TKO4 Jimmy Martinez
Luigi Camputaro W8 Steve Whetstone
Thierry Jacob W8 Kelvin Smart
Joey Roach W8 Carlos Conchola

FLYWEIGHTS
Dave McAuley KO9 Joe Kelly
(Won Vacant British Title)
Rafael Caban W10 Luis Monzote

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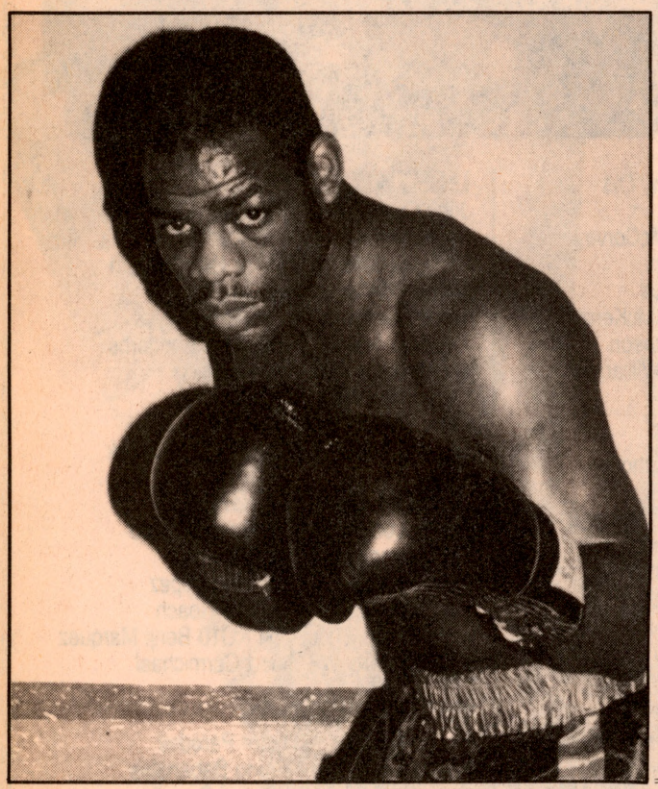
FIGHTER OF THE MONTH



Hard-Punching middleweight Iran (The Blade) Barkley wins THE RING'S Fighter of the Month honors for his upset decision over highly ranked James (The Heat) Kinchen. Relatively unknown outside of his native New York City, Barkley is an exciting addition to the always intriguing middleweight scene.

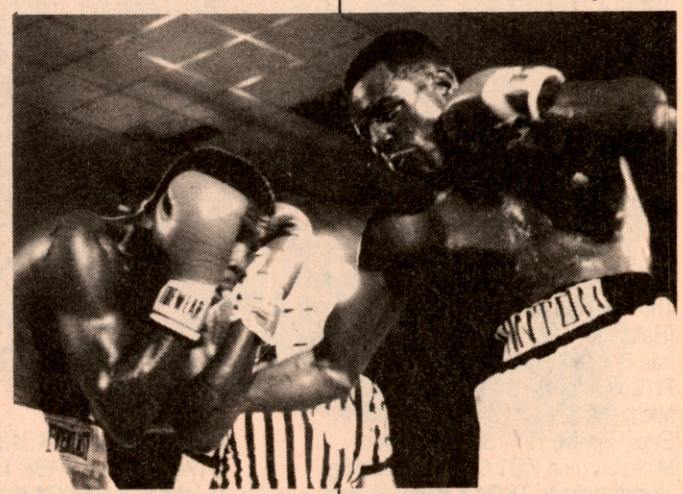
New Yorker **Iran Barkley** jumped into the thick of the middleweight ratings with an upset decision over James (The Heat) Kinchen on the Hearns-DeWitt card in Detroit. Barkley took the bout on short notice when Robbie Sims pulled out with a rib injury and made the best of his golden opportunity. The upset win was also good enough to earn Barkley *The Ring*'s Fighter of the Month award.

This month's runner-up spot goes to **Rickey Parkey** who TKO'd Lee Roy Murphy to win the IBF cruiserweight title in the 10th round in Marsala, Sicily. The previously unbeaten Murphy was making his fourth defense.

Detroit's **Joe Louis Manley** garners honorable mention for knocking out Gary Hinton in the 10th round to win the IBF junior welterweight title in Hartford, Connecticut. □

MANLEY-HINTON
IBF Junior Welterweight Title

HARTFORD, CONN.—THE most surprised fellow in the Civic Center regarding the fact that he had won the IBF world junior welterweight title by a knockout was the new champ himself—Joe Louis Manley of Detroit. It took him two seconds to realize he had knocked out the defending champ, Gary Hinton of Philadelphia, in the 10th round of a slated 15. Then, like a deliriously happy kangaroo, he raced around the ring in leaps and bounds to the cheers of his admirers, who had vocally supported him throughout one of the best bouts seen here in many a moon.



Defending champion Gary Hinton digs a right to Joe Louis Manley's body during their thrilling battle for the IBF junior welterweight Title. Manley prevailed in a see-saw struggle, scoring a kayo in the 10th round.

PHOTO BY PETE GOLDFIELD

He had dropped Hinton in the second, but Gary survived Manley's blitz assault for a possible kayo, and regained his composure to spiritedly fight back before the bell sounded.

Manley recalled a draw they fought 14 months before, saying: "I didn't hit him as hard then. But I told everybody it wouldn't go 15. He did hit me a good shot in the eighth . . . What was it, a right?" he asked. "Yes, it was," confirmed his manager, Stan Hoffman.

The same query came from Hinton in commenting on the first knockdown. "I was stunned but I wasn't hurt," he allowed. "It was a good punch," and, in an aside, asked: "What was it?" "A right," answered a handler.

"I was weak from the third round on," added Hinton. "I give him credit for coming back after I hurt him in the eighth."

It was a "shooting match" all the way, unlike so many of today's lackluster ring duels.

Explaining why he was able to rally in rounds where his rival shot ahead to early leads, Hinton explained, "I was fighting with my heart."

One lost count of the number of times Referee Sam Maltempo hand signalled both to keep their punches up as they struck below the belt.

A combo left-right to the jaw spilled Hinton in the second. Gary was up quickly on wobbly legs for the mandatory eight count.

The southpaw's best shot came in the eighth, when Hinton hurt his challenger and had him hanging on until the bell. It was the fight's best round as Gary again rallied in the final minute.

The dramatic finale had the crowd in a frenzy. Manley hurt the champ, whose eyes turned glassy before Joe Louis' namesake struck with a right to the jaw that had Gary sliding down the ropes. A left hook to the same target hit as he slid down, and the referee counted Hinton out at 2:14 of the 10th as the dethroned king sat with his back against the ropes. Thus ended Hinton's six-month reign.

Three out-of-state judges had it thusly after nine: Nick Drake of New York and Matt Mullaney of Springfield, Mass., both 87-83; Harry Papacharalambous of New York, 86-85—all for Manley. *The Ring* scorecard had it 86-83 for the new champ, 4-3-2 in rounds.

Hartford's welterweight title contender, Marlon Starling, 147, had an easy touch in Roberto Mendez, 148½, Trenton, N.J., stopping the once scrappy boxer at 1:42 of the fourth round in a slated 10. A handler gently dropped a towel in surrender just as referee Matt Mullaney prevented Marlon from further venting his wrath after Mendez rashly hit the Magic Man on a break. The referee had given the Jerseyite a standing eight-count in the second after Marlon had stunned him with a two-fisted cluster to the jaw. The 24th knockout of his career boosted the local boxer's record to 39-4.

Unbeaten Welcome Ncita, 113, East London, South Africa, stopped Ricky Diaz, 111, Philadelphia, in 2:18 of the third round for his 12th straight win.

Johnny Duplooy, 211, Johannesburg, South Africa, halted Steve Zouski, 208, Wisconsin Rapids, Wisc., at 2:56 of the fourth round for an unbeaten 11-0 mark. The last two bouts were set for eight rounds each.

Rasheed Ali, 140, Hartford, stopped Al Jackson, 138, New Haven, at 2:03 of the second session of a slated six.

Officials—Sam Maltempo, Matt Mullaney, Bob Muravnick, Nick Drake, Harry Papacharalambous.

Timekeeper—Jack LaSalle.

Knockdown Timer—Lou Dell.

Ringside Physician—Steven M. Stein.

Ring Announcer—Bob Steele.

Promoters—Novera Seeds, Cedric Kushner.

(10-30-86)

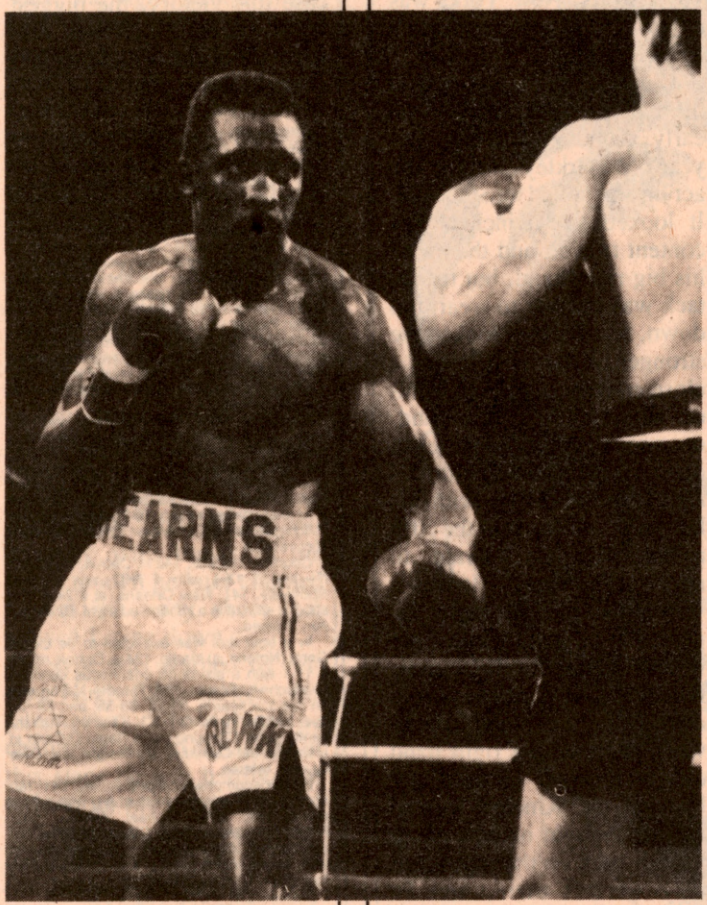
JOSEPH CASSANO

HEARNS-DeWITT
NABF Middleweight Title

DETROIT, MICH.—There was a definite lack of fire in the air at Cobo Hall for Thomas Hearns' first fight back in Detroit since February 11, 1984, when he won a 12-round decision over Luigi Minchillo to retain his WBC super welterweight championship. Any wonder? His opponent, Doug (The Cobra) DeWitt, 160, Yonkers, N.Y., qualified for the title fight by being thoroughly thrashed by Hearns' junior stablemate, former WBC welter champ Milton McCrory, over 10 rounds.

The oddsmakers were only taking bets on whether the bout was going to go past five rounds. The whole publicity buildup was concerned with, not how good the fight was going to be, but with how just having Thomas Hearns fight was a "happening," and that this was the first time he and his Kronk teammate, Milton McCrory, had met a common foe. Hearns, of course, wanted to do better than McCrory, and actually stop DeWitt.

In reality, it was the seventh common foe, and, after the outcome, it would seem that McCrory has faired better in six of the seven fights.



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Thomas (Hit Man) Hearns moves in against Doug DeWitt during the early going of their 12-rounder for the NABF middleweight title in Detroit. Hearns promised a knockout, but had to settle for a unanimous decision.

But something happened when Hearns, 160, Detroit, Mich., climbed into the ring with DeWitt—something that changed the tempo of the bout and added an element of danger that made it a scary night for the Hearns people. The always present danger of cuts reached out to get a firm grip on the Kronk camp, and the cloud of a possible stoppage hovered over the ring during the final six rounds.

The fight had started quietly enough, with the "Hit Man" and "The Cobra" feeling each other out in the first round. Hearns pressed the action in the second, and then really opened up in the third round, as a solid right hand rocked DeWitt. DeWitt had never been down, and thoughts of this filled Hearns as he swarmed over him. Hearns battered DeWitt, while the Yonkers fighter struggled to stay inside and tie up the champion. With only seconds left and referee Bob Watson looking like he might stop the fight, Hearns slammed three hard rights downwards on the clinching DeWitt, apparently landing each one on the point of DeWitt's shoulder. The bell then rang to end the round, and DeWitt had survived.

The right hand Hearns had been using freely appeared negligible from this point on. It was used for body shots and *soft* head punches. Seldom was there any power behind it in the remaining nine rounds.

Terror struck in the sixth when heads clashed and a cut was opened on the right eyebrow of Hearns. Ringside commentators said it came from a punch, but cutman Ralph Citro, who was working the Hearns corner, said the fighter had an egg-sized swelling that could only have come from a butt. It was a nasty cut.

The bout had become very rough and tumble, with plenty of alley tactics being used. DeWitt continually raked the Hearns cuts with his gloves, and lost a point for low blows in the ninth. This did not slow up DeWitt, who showed better stamina than usual.

A shot to the left eye in the 10th round opened a cut on the Hearns eyelid. By the time the fight was over, Hearns had suffered a nasty gash near his

right optic, an ugly cut on his left eyelid, and another cut under the left eye. Had it not been for the veteran Citro, who battled to keep the cuts under control, the bout would not have gone the distance. Many fights have been stopped for cuts far less severe than those the "Motor City Cobra" carried home.

Despite the cuts, and the fact that Hearns fought the fight primarily lefthanded after the third round, the "Hit Man" controlled the fight, improving his professional record to 43-2 with a 12-round unanimous decision to retain his North American Boxing Federation Championship. The official scoring was as follows: Rich Fisher, 118-109; Rose Grable, 117-110; Harold Lederman, 116-110. DeWitt's log dropped to 27-4-3.

Looking a little disappointed at ringside was World Boxing Council light heavyweight champion Dennis Andries of England. Andries was on hand to watch Hearns and talk of a possible WBC title bout in case the "Hit Man" steps up to the light heavyweight class. Andries, who realized that Hearns' cuts might delay such plans, was noticeably upset.

Hearns, for his part, is still serious about trying to win four world titles. He has held the WBA welterweight title, and recently relinquished his WBC super welterweight crown.

The dull, onesided fight that was expected never did appear. It goes to show that even the easy ones can get scary at times.

BARKLEY-KINCHEN

When Iran Barkley was stopped in six rounds by Robbie Sims in Atlantic City on January 6, 1984, who would have thought he would someday have Sims to thank for giving him his big break?

That was the way it turned out, however, when a rib injury forced Sims to pull out of a big fight with James (The Heat) Kinchen of San Diego, Calif. The fight was supposed to set the winner up for a crack at the soon-to-be-vacant Int. Boxing Federation middleweight championship, the IBF having ordered world champion Marvin Hagler to defend his title against Thomas Hearns by September 10th.

Kinchen, coming in with a 35-1-2 record, and having faced tougher competition, was, of course, the favorite. Iran (The Blade) Barkley, 161, Bronx, New York, was only given a puncher's chance.

Kinchen, 161¼, started at his normal slow pace in the early rounds, while the 26-year-old Barkley pressed the action and pulled into the lead. It looked like Kinchen was content to wait and then land his big right hand, but the attack was starting to wear him down, and Barkley looked the stronger of the two. It was a close contest, with both fighters landing heavy blows and, occasionally, backing each other up—Kinchen with his right hand, Barkley with his left hook. Going into the fifth round, Kinchen started to apply "The Heat." It was a very close fight, but James appeared to be getting back into it, and edging out the rounds. It looked like Kinchen was in control in the eighth frame when a crunching right hand caught him off balance and backing up. Kinchen looked like he thought he was going to lean back on the ropes, but they weren't there, and he went over like a rocking tea cup. He got up quickly, but it was too late—a knockdown had occurred in a very close fight.

The fighters really turned it on in the 10th round, and went at each other until the final bell. The outcome was a stunner, as Iran Barkley, now 20-3, was announced the winner by a very close split decision. Judges Chuck McHenry and Chip Acey scored it 95-94 and 96-93, respectively, for Barkley. Judge Randy Ericson carded 97-93 for Kinchen. Dale Grable refereed.

A major upset, and a very big win for Iran Barkley. This changes the middleweight picture. If Thomas Hearns moves up to fight at light heavyweight, then Barkley will fight Robbie Sims for the vacant IBF title. If Hearns stays at middleweight, it will be Hearns vs. Sims. "The Blade" has to be praying for Hearns to move up, in which case this victory, the biggest of his career, will vault him into a world middleweight championship contest.

USBA junior middleweight champion Duane Thomas, 157, Detroit, Mich., had an easy tune-up for his coming WBC title bout with John (The Beast) Mugabi as he battered Bobby McCorvey, 155, Ft. Worth, Texas, into submission at 1:41 of the second canto in a scheduled 10. Thomas, now 28-1, dropped McCorvey twice in the fatal round. Dale Grable, referee.

A well fought light heavyweight bout that saw both fighters on the deck ended with Booker T. Word, 175, Ypsilanti, Mich., scoring a TKO at the 2:59 mark of round five over Martin Pierce, 176, Bay City, Mich., in a scheduled eight. The undefeated Word, now 10-0-1, got off the canvas after being decked by three right hands in the third to level Pierce, now 13-4, with a right-left combo in the fifth. Bob Watson, referee.

A sluggish Phillip Morefield, 160, Warren, Mich., got his first blemish on an otherwise perfect record when Al Laddie, also 160, Bay City, Mich., held him to an eight-round draw. One judge had it 78-74 for Morefield, another had it 77-76 for Laddie, now 3-2-1, and the third judge called it even, 76-76. Morefield, the "Michigan Assassin," is now 13-0-1. Bob Watson, referee.

Courtney Hooper, 142¼, Detroit, improved his log to 12-1 with a TKO over Jerome Spotsville, 141, New Orleans, at 2:24 of the second stanza in a scheduled eight. Bob Watson, referee.

In a bout that was expected to be close, Garry (Notorious) Martin, 134¼, Detroit, made it 11-1 with a six-round unanimous decision over John Kalbhenn, 137, Toronto. Martin won on the scorecards, 59-55, 59-55, and 58-56, over Kalbhenn, now 11-3-1. Kalbhenn had recently gone 12 rounds with Remo DiCarlo in a shot at the Canadian lightweight title. Dale Grable, referee.

Detroit southpaw Anthony Jones, 141, ran his pro log to an unblemished 9-0 with a third round TKO over Michael Warren, 142, Pittsburgh, referee Dale Grable stopping the contest at 2:00 of the session because Warren was simply outclassed. It was scheduled for four. Dale Grable, referee.

Timekeeper—William Hunter, Sr.
Knockdown Timer—Ken Pace.
Ring Announcer—Michael Buffer.
Ringside Physicians—Michael Sherbin, T. Jamieson.
Chief Inspector—James Cullen.
Top Rank, Inc./Ringside Productions, Inc.
Matchmaker—Tommy Vacca.
Showtime Cable T.V.
Attendance—5,208. Gross—$173,930.

(10-17-86)

DAVE HARTOON

HATCHER-ANTHONY

Vacant Continental Americas Welterweight Title

ATLANTIC CITY, N.J.—Notorious slow starter Gene Hatcher was true blue to his colors, but as in most cases, he nevertheless came across the finish line first. In a scheduled 12-rounder for the vacant WBC Continental Americas welterweight title at the Trump Plaza Hotel-Casino, Hatcher, 144, Ft. Worth, Texas, TKO'd Darryl Anthony, 142½, St. Louis, Mo., at 2:21 of round 11.

Aside from his good luck Hawaiian-patterned trunks, his no frills approach clashed with the high spirited atmosphere of casino land east. The proletariate "Mad Dog" has tempered his act, and, donning the invisible blue (as in true blue) collar, he didn't let the prevailing mode faze or set him off into wild frenzied punching. He clocked in, took a nine-minute coffee break, and then plunged into his assignment, proceeding to economically gnaw away at an early Anthony lead to craft yet another successful evening on the job.

For his part, Darryl started smoothly enough, but he probably should have pressed the issue even more than he did. Keeping action ring center, he avoided the bad lands of the ropes—where the Texan likes to corral his victims—but never went for an early kill against a serious late riser, especially one prone to shed a drop or two of blood from facial cuts.

Anthony looked pretty in taking this quick lead (he swept rounds one and two, and got two of three votes in the third), but the former WBA junior welterweight champion pushed it into working gear behind a hammering right and persistent rearranging of Anthony's midsection. It wasn't long before Anthony was running on fumes and about ready to surrender, Hatcher having garnered all

but one of a possible 18 votes in the middle six rounds (One judge gave Anthony the sixth), Hatcher was keeping his gloves up, steadily advancing, and showing good defensive slipping. His controlled punch rate stressed maximum efficiency.

Hatcher coasted in the 10th, staying the execution one more round. The end came when a vicious left hook sent Anthony reeling back near a neutral corner with Gene in deadly pursuit. It didn't take referee Tony Perez long to realize the eminent danger in store for Darryl as he waved it over. The withering assault of Hatcher had saved the day and there was no yelping or howling from Anthony or his people.

Hatcher suffered a reddening under his right eye in round two but it stayed under control, while Anthony sustained minor cuts around the eyes. Scoring after 10: Eva Shain and Rocky Castellani both had it 97-93 for Hatcher, while John Stewart saw it 95-95. There were no even rounds and no 10-8 rounds, either. *The Ring* card had it 96-94, giving Hatcher rounds four through nine.

Rip Rettig, 147½, Bayonne, N.J., roared back to edge out southpaw Anthony DeShields, 146, Philadelphia, via an eight-round split decision. DeSheilds reached his high point with a right hook knockdown of Rettig in round three. Rip got right up and dominated a tiring DeShields from round four on. Scores: Stewart, 4-3-1 and Shain, 6-2, both for Rettig: Castellani had it 4-4 in rounds but 36-35 in points for DeShields. *The Ring* agreed with Stewart. Randy Neumann, referee.

In a crafty see-saw matchup between two well schooled neophytes, Anthony Pearson, 141, Paterson, N.J. and Robert Guy, 140¾, Ft. Worth, boxed to a split decision draw over six smooth, almost introspective rounds of pleasing moves and counter moves. It was a thinking man's bout, a connoisseur's delight.

Shain had it 4-2, Pearson, Castellani just the opposite, while Stewart saw it at 3-3. *The Ring* felt Pearson the winner, no matter how closely, at 4-2. Tony Perez, referee.

In a matchup of debuting professionals, southpaw Jorge Rivas, 127, Brooklyn, N.Y., easily blew out overmatched Mike Miles, 127, Pennsauken, N.J., via a TKO win at 1:39 of round two in a scheduled four. There were no knockdowns, as Miles tried vainly to at least make it through round one. In the second, referee Neumann showed some mercy and stopped the one-sided affair.

Timekeeper—Lindsey Tucker.

Promoters—HBA/Jeff Levine/Bud Sports.

Matchmaker—Ron Katz.

(10-24-86)

JACK OBERMAYER

MITCHELL-LAYNE

World Junior Lightweight Title

SUN CITY, BOPHUTHATSWANA—Brian Mitchell of South Africa ended Alfredo Layne's reign as world junior lightweight champion a mere four months after Layne had knocked out Wilfredo Gomezo to win the title in Puerto Rico.

Mitchell sent Layne toppling to the canvas for three knockdowns in the 10th round of their fight in the Super Bowl and, under WBA rules, the championship match automatically ended with Mitchell declared the new title holder.

After an incredibly slow start, the fight turned in the fifth round, when Mitchell began connecting with solid punches to the head. Layne appeared to use his left merely to measure Mitchell, but once the South African got on the inside, the defending champion was completely ineffective.

Layne had shrugged off rumours that he was having weight problems but the longer the fight went, the more weary he became, and, as the rounds rolled by, the Panamanian threw fewer and fewer meaningful punches.

Mitchell backed him up continually and scored repeatedly with blows to the head, though he later claimed it was his body shots that slowed Layne down.

Layne was warned by referee Hugh Earle to keep his punches up in the eighth. The champion was so exhausted at this stage he was hardly able to hold up his hands.

Sensing victory was near, the crowd urged Mitchell to finish the fight in the 10th. The young South African responded by driving Layne around the ring before dropping him for a count of eight with a right to the body and a left to the head.

As Layne pulled himself erect, Mitchell was on him in a flash, driving him back to the boards with another right to the head. It needed only one more knockdown for the title to change hands and it came within seconds as another right to the head sent Layne back to the canvas.

As referee Earle waved the fight over, Mitchell raced around the ring, waving his arms in a victory salute.

South African heavyweight champion Pierre Coetzer knocked out Luis Lazana of Panama in 2:47 of the first round.

Harold Volbrecht, ranked number one by the WBA, wasted little time in overwhelming Mauricio Bravo of Venezuel, stopping him in the fifth round, welters.

South African junior welterweight champion Brett Taylor outpointed Mario Moreno of Panama over 10 rounds in what was clearly the best bout on the bill. Taylor had to climb off the canvas in the second round to outbox his opponent.

(09-27-86)

BERT BLEWETT

"CHAPO" NUMERO UNO IN THE HEARTS OF PUERTO RICAN FANS

PHOTO BY VICTOR VARGAS

It's fiesta time in San Juan as local musicians serenade Rosario during the celebrations that accompanied Edwin's triumphant homecoming.

Rosario-Camacho Feud Heats Up As Both Champions Return Home

by Mario Rivera Martino

SAN JUAN, PUERTO RICO — WHEN EDwin (Chapo) Rosario made his triumphant return to this island following his spectacular knockout over Livingstone Bramble, it reminded many of a similar scene back in 1965. For it was 22 years ago that Jose Torres came home to a joyous reunion with his people after dethroning Willie Pastrano for the undisputed light heavyweight title. During that span of time there has not been another Puerto Rican champion who has captured the hearts of his countrymen in the fashion that Rosario has.

Less than 24 hours after he kayoed Bramble for the WBA lightweight crown, Edwin returned to enthusiastic accolades from every quarter. The airport reception was completely spontaneous, diverting many workers from their chores to greet the new champion and his entourage.

Rosario was quick to give due praise to the people he felt most responsible for his success, saying: "My loyal and efficient trainer, Lalo Medina, deserves special consideration."

The day after Rosario's return, a latin fiesta atmosphere prevailed in his native Barrio Ingenio of Toa Baja and in La Guardia del Pirata (The Pirates Den), the champion's favorite seaport hangout. Edwin also received a surprise visit from the Governor of Puerto Rico, Rafael Hernandez Colon.

"It was a very informal affair," said Rosario. "The Governor was quite pleased and so was my wife Alma, and my two children, Ruby Yanina and Glorisabel."

Success does not seem to have gone to Rosario's head. He still prefers the quiet solitude of life at home with his wife and children to the frantic life of a public figure.

"It's been hectic these last few days," said Rosario. "Invitations have poured in for parties, fiestas, TV shows, and radio and press interviews. But to be honest, I prefer to not talk about boxing or brag about my success. It sort of embarasses me a little."

Several days after his homecoming, Rosario held a public press conference to announce his future plans and express his gratitude to both the public and media for supporting him over the years. But as it turned out, the highlight of the conference was a surprise visit by Hector Camacho. The Macho Man once again displayed his unique ability for grabbing the attention of all concerned with his fast tongue and bizarre antics.

Camacho, accompanied by his mother, criticized the press for patronizing Rosario and for neglecting his own victory over Cornelius Boza-Edwards. He also said that he was insulted by insinuations that he was afraid to meet Rosario in a rematch. But after ranting and raving for a while and getting everyone excited, Hector closed his performance by kissing Edwin on the cheek.

One has to wonder what Rosario really thinks of the man he hopes to soon fight again in a title unification match.

"I give him (Camacho) credit because he talks a good show, but deep down in his heart he know I'm a better man, and that I beat him the last time we fought."

The Camacho-Rosario feud is the talk of the island. Hector is gradually losing ground and does not relish the thought of not being considered "numero uno." But Rosario's style of soft sell and hard punching, plus the fact that he is locally bred, is a tough combination to beat.

"The only advantage Camacho has over me is that he gets his message across in English, and that sells on TV," said Edwin, who does not speak a word of English, but expresses himself with clarity and ease in Spanish.

Although he was born in the San Juan area of Santurce, the Rosario clan moved to Barrio Ingenio of Toa Raja when Edwin was three years old. It is there that he went

to school, met his high school sweetheart and future wife Alma, first trained at the local gym, and initiated a lengthy relationship with trainer Manny Siacca.

"Manny is one of the best and toughest trainers," reports Rosario. "But I had to break away from him because when he negotiated the contract that put me in the hands of Jim Jacobs (and Bill Cayton), I was not given a fair share of the money involved."

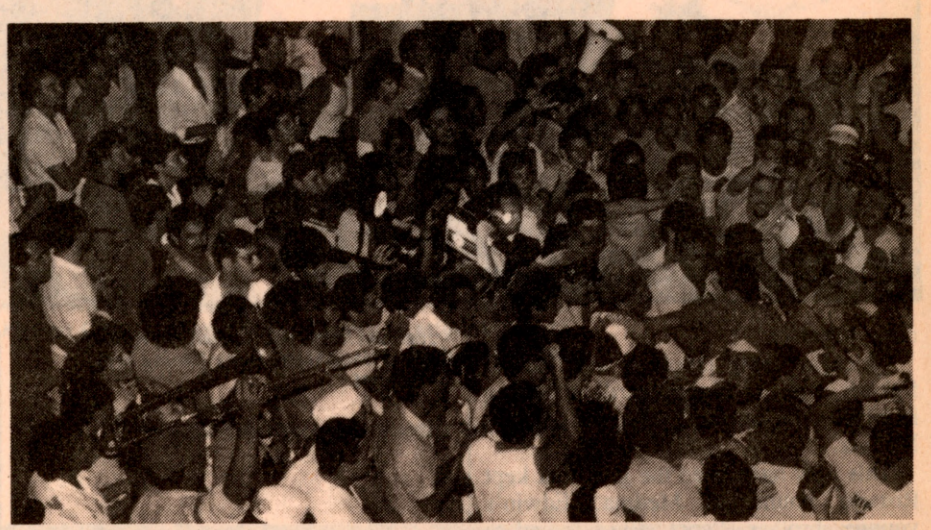
The last time Siacca was in Rosario's corner was his disastrous knockout loss to Jose Luis Ramirez in November of 1984. At the time, some local scribes unjustly questioned Edwin's stamina and desire. A poorly conditioned Rosario dropped his Mexican rival twice and was en route to an easy knockout victory when the roof suddenly caved in. The fight, and his first reign as lightweight champion, ended with Rosario still standing, but taking a pounding from his relentless tormentor.

Shortly afterwards, Ramirez lost the title to Camacho, who quickly established himself as the heir apparent to Sugar Ray Leonard in terms of TV popularity. In the meantime, Bramble had beaten Ray Mancini for the WBA belt and confirmed his stature as one of the best lightweights in the world by beating Mancini again and then turning back the challenge of Philly speedster Tyrone (Butterfly) Crawley.

Where did all these developments leave Rosario?

Many people felt that the crushing defeat against Ramirez, combined with his separations from Siacca, would seriously threaten Edwin's future. But Rosario was fortunate in connecting with Medina. At the time, Lalo, who had been an assistant of Siacca, was dedicating himself to caring for underprivileged youngsters at the Municipal Gym in Toa Baja. He had also been influential in the careers of current IBF featherweight champion Antonio Rivera, junior welterweight contender Reyes Cruz and bantamweight contender En-

Can you find Rosario among the throng of well-wishers that greeted the WBA lightweight champion at the airport upon his return to Puerto Rico?



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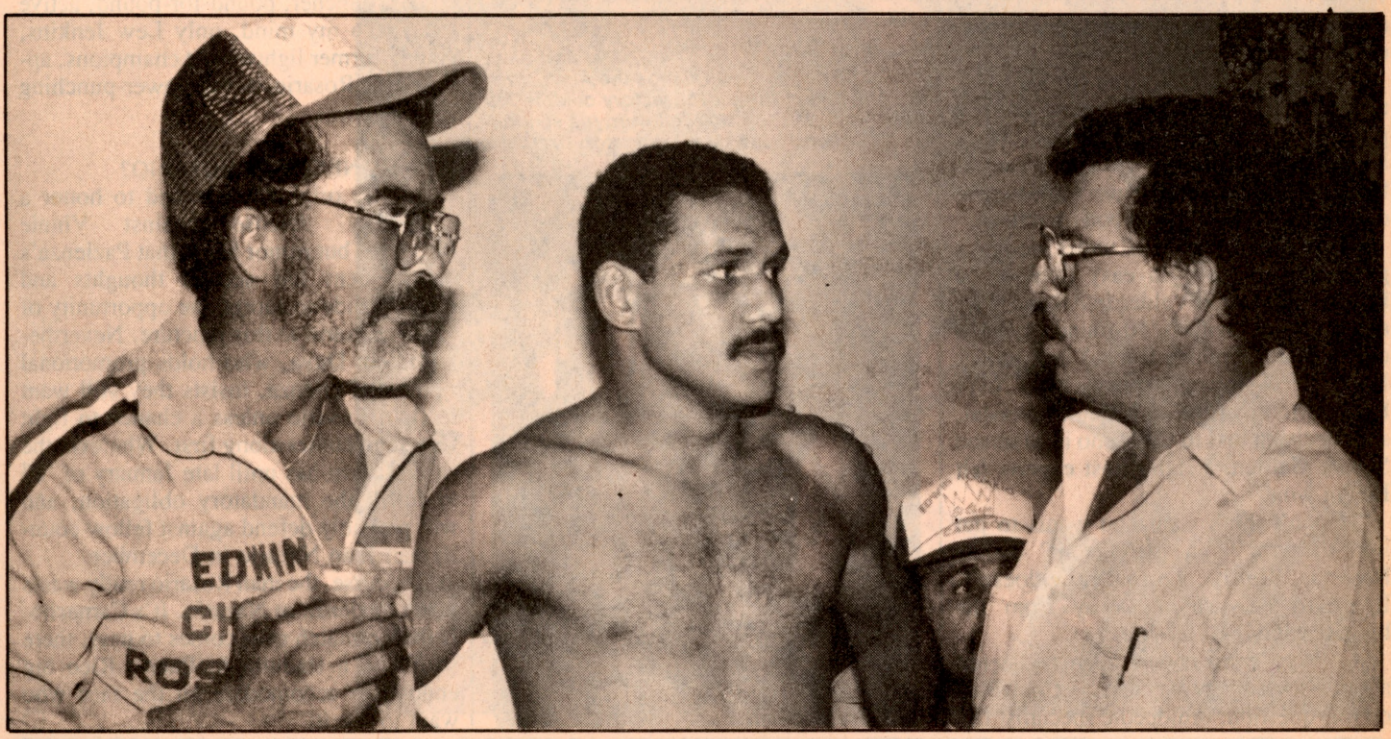
Rosario with trainer Lalo Medina (left) and the Major of Toa Baja, Victor Soto.



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Rosario at home with his wife Alma and his two daughters, Ruby Yanina and Glorisabel.

rique Sanchez.

"I enjoy being involved with ranked fighters, but my biggest thrill is getting involved with troubled youngsters," said Medina.

This may have been the glue that kept Rosario bound to Medina. Edwin's younger brother, Papote, was forced to abandon a promising boxing career because of drug-related problems.

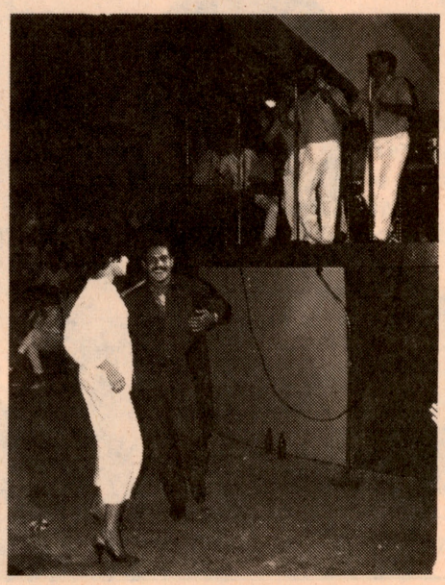
"I won't be in this game for too long, and when I do get out, I want to be a positive influence with the kids in Puerto Rico," said Rosario. "No fancy cars or flashy clothes for me, I just want to take care of my family and do good for others."

Rosario rebounded well under Medina's guidance. He won an easy three-round kayo over Eduardo Valdez in Atlantic City and followed with a 10-round decision over talented Frankie Randal in London, England. A seventh-round kayo over Roque Montoya led to his controversial, split decision loss to Camacho in Madison Square Garden; a fight most experts felt Edwin won.

"I don't think Camacho wants to get into the ring with me again," claims Rosario. "But he is a fool if he doesn't. It means he's shying away from the biggest payday of his life."

A lot of concern has been registered about Rosario's brittle hands. Consulted on this question, orthopedic specialist Dr. Manuel Garcia stated: "I have been Rosario's doctor for several years. The fact of the matter is that most crushing punchers have this problem because of the power of their delivery."

Rosario and Alma dance the night away during the victory celebration that followed his second-round kayo over Livingston Bramble.



In other words, Rosario hits too hard for his own good. He just might be the hardest puncher, pound-for-pound, active today. To my mind, only Lew Jenkins, among former lightweight champions, approaches Rosario in the power-punching department.

WHAT'S NEXT FOR ROSARIO?

He had originally planned to honor a mandatory defense against Vinnie Pazienza, but rumor has it that Pazienza's management has second thoughts and might decide to forego the opportunity of facing Rosario at this juncture. Nevertheless, Dan Duva, who holds promotional rights to Pazienza, insists they still want to fight Rosario unless a chance to fight Camacho comes along first. Whatever the case, Edwin has until late January of '87 to fulfill the mandatory obligation, and will probably defend against fellow countryman Juan Nazario in December.

Of course, the man Rosario really wants is not Pazienza or Nazario. It's Camacho. If their rematch ever comes to pass, there won't be a stadium in Puerto Rico big enough to accomodate all the fans who want to see it. □

Hector (Macho) Camacho crashed Edwin Rosario's San Juan press conference and tried to steal the show by planting a kiss on Chapo's cheek. Rosario wants to return the favor with a left hook.

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HEAVYWEIGHTS
(No Weight Limit)
WORLD CHAMPION

MICHAEL SPINKS* ..... St. Louis, Mo.
1. **Trevor Berbick**** ..... Canada
2. **Tim Witherspoon*** ..... Philadelphia, Pa.
3. **Pinklon Thomas** ..... Pontiac, Mich.
4. **Larry Holmes** ..... Easton, Pa.
5. **Tony Tubbs** ..... Cincinnati, Ohio
6. **James Smith** ..... Magnolia, N.C.
7. **Mike Tyson** ..... Catskill, N.Y.
8. **James (Buster) Douglas** ..... Columbus, Ohio
9. **Tony Tucker** ..... Grand Rapids, Mich.
10. **Frank Bruno** ..... England

11. Tyrell Biggs 12. James Broad 13. Razor Ruddock 14. Mike Weaver 15. Carl Williams 16. David Bey 17. Gerry Cooney 18. Larry Alexander 19. Mitchell Green 20. Renaldo Snipes.

CRUISERWEIGHTS
(Not Over 195 Pounds)
WORLD CHAMPION

CARLOS (SUGAR) DeLEON** ..... Puerto Rico
1. **Evander Holyfield*** ..... Atlanta, Ga.
2. **Ricky Parkey***** ..... Morristown, Tenn.
3. **Dwight Muhammda Qawi** ..... Camden, N.J.
4. **Lee Roy Murphy***** ..... Chicago, Ill.
5. **Bert Cooper** ..... Philadelphia, Pa.
6. **Henry Tillman** ..... Los Angeles, Calif.
7. **John Odhiambo** ..... Uganda
8. **Bernard Benton** ..... Detroit, Mich.
9. **Alfonzo Ratliff** ..... Chicago, Ill.
10. **Eddie Mustafa Muhammad** ..... Brooklyn, N.Y.

11. Osvaldo Ocasio 12. Boone Pultz 13. Tyrone Booze 14. Dorcey Gaymon 15. Jose M. Flores 16. Chisanda Mutti 17. Pierre Coetzer 18. Michael Greer 19. Bashiru Ali 20. Anthony Davis.

LIGHT HEAVYWEIGHTS
(Not Over 175 Pounds)
WORLD CHAMPION
TITLE VACANT

1. **Marvin Johnson*** ..... Indianapolis, Ind.
2. **Bobby Czyz***** ..... Wanaque, N.J.
3. **Dennis Andries**** ..... England
4. **Slobodan Kacar** ..... Yugoslavia
5. **Eddie Davis** ..... Freeport, N.Y.
6. **Juan D. Roldan** ..... Argentina
7. **Willie Edwards** ..... Detroit, Mich.
8. **Leslie Stewart** ..... Trinidad
9. **J.B. Williamson** ..... Inglewood, Calif.
10. **Prince Mamah Mohammed** ..... Ghana

11. Jean-Marie Emebe 12. Charles Williams 13. Alex Blanchard 14. Kelvin Kelly 15. Everett Martin 16. Grady Smith 17. Uriah Grant 18. Marvin Mack 19. Don LaLonde 20. Arthel Lawhorn.

MIDDLEWEIGHTS
(Not Over 160 Pounds)
WORLD CHAMPION

MARVIN HAGLER* ** *** ..... Brockton, Mass.
1. **Thomas Hearns** ..... Detroit, Mich.
2. **John Mugabi** ..... Uganda
3. **Robbie Sims** ..... Brockton, Mass.
4. **Herol Graham** ..... England
5. **Iran Barkley** ..... Bronx, N.Y.
6. **James Kinchen** ..... San Diego, Calif.
7. **Milton McCrory** ..... Detroit, Mich.
8. **Lindell Holmes** ..... Detroit, Mich.
9. **Michael Nunn** ..... Sherman Oaks, Calif.
10. **Michael Olajide** ..... Canada

11. Don Lee 12. Tony Sibson 13. Chong-Pal Park 14. Doug DeWitt 15. Jorge Amparo 16. Frank Tate 17. Errol Christie 18. Mustafa Hamsho 19. Charlie Boston 20. Troy Darrell.

JUNIOR MIDDLEWEIGHTS
(Not Over 154 Pounds)
WORLD CHAMPION
TITLE VACANT

1. **John Mugabi** ..... Uganda
2. **Mike McCallum*** ..... New York, N.Y.
3. **Buster Drayton***** ..... Philadelphia, Pa.
4. **Duane Thomas** ..... Detroit, Mich.
5. **Matthew Hilton** ..... Canada
6. **Donald Curry** ..... Ft. Worth, Texas
7. **Carlos Santos** ..... Puerto Rico
8. **Davey Moore** ..... Bronx, N.Y.
9. **Julian Jackson** ..... Virgin Islands
10. **Mark Medal** ..... Jersey City, N.J.

11. Steve Little 12. Darnell Knox 13. In-Chul Baek 14. Hugo Marinangeli 15. David Braxton 16. Said Skouma 17. Francisco DeJesus 18. Lupe Aquino 19. Chris Pyatt 20. Tony Montgomery.

WELTERWEIGHTS
(Not Over 147 Pounds)
WORLD CHAMPION

LLOYD HONEYGHAN* ** *** ..... England
1. **Mark Breland** ..... New York, N.Y.
2. **Maurice Blocker** ..... Washington, D.C.
3. **Johnny Bumphus** ..... Clementon, N.J.
4. **Marlon Starling** ..... Hartford, Conn.
5. **Tommy Ayers** ..... Cincinnati, Ohio
6. **Simon Brown** ..... Washington, D.C.
7. **Tyrone Trice** ..... Detroit, Mich.
8. **Luis Santana** ..... Hawthorne, Calif.
9. **Gene Hatcher** ..... Ft. Worth, Texas
10. **Colin Jones** ..... Wales

11. Jun-Sok Hwang 12. Sylvester Mittee 13. Seung-Soon Lee 14. Horace Shufford 15. Manning Galloway 16. John Munduga 17. Vincent Pettway 18. Harold Volbrecht 19. Kirkland Laing 20. Lorenzo Garcia.

JUNIOR WELTERWEIGHTS
(Not Over 140 Pounds)
WORLD CHAMPION
TITLE VACANT

1. **Patrizio Oliva*** ..... Italy
2. **Tsuyoshi Hamada**** ..... Japan
3. **Frankie Warren** ..... Corpus Christi, Texas
4. **Rene Arredondo** ..... Mexico
5. **Joe Louis Manley***** ..... Atlantic City, N.J.
6. **Lonnie Smith** ..... Denver, Colo.
7. **Terry Marsh** ..... England
8. **Ronnie Shields** ..... Port Arthur, Texas
9. **Gary Hinton** ..... Philadelphia, Pa.
10. **Rodolfo (Gato) Gonzalez** ..... Mexico

11. Harold Brazier 12. James (Buddy) McGirt 13. Ubaldo Sacco 14. Howard Davis, Jr. 15. Juan M. Coggi 16. Tony McKenzie 17. John Montes 18. John Meekins 19. Reyes Cruz 20. Kyung-Duk Ahn.

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Ratings as of November 3, 1986

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**WBC champion
***IBF champion

LIGHTWEIGHTS
(Not Over 135 Pounds)
WORLD CHAMPION
TITLE VACANT

1. **Edwin Rosario*** ..... Puerto Rico
2. **Hector Camacho**** ..... New York, N.Y.
3. **Jimmy Paul***** ..... Detroit, Mich.
4. **Livingstone Bramble** ..... Passaic, N.J.
5. **Darryl Tyson** ..... Washington, D.C.
6. **Jose Luis Ramirez** ..... Mexico
7. **Terrence Alli** ..... New York, N.Y.
8. **Meldrick Taylor** ..... Philadelphia, Pa.
9. **Pernell Whitaker** ..... Norfolk, Va.
10. **Cornelius Boza-Edwards** ..... Uganda

11. Tyrone Crawley 12. Joey Olivera 13. Fred Pendleton 14. Frankie Randall 15. Greg Haugen 16. Roger Mayweather 17. Cubanito Perez 18. Miguel Santana 19. Alvin Hayes 20. Vinnie Pazienza.

JUNIOR LIGHTWEIGHTS
(Not Over 130 Pounds)
WORLD CHAMPION

BRIAN MITCHELL* ..... South Africa
1. **Julio Cesar Chavez**** ..... Mexico
2. **Barry Michael***** ..... Australia
3. **Juan LaPorte** ..... Puerto Rico
4. **Rocky Lockridge** ..... Maple Shade, N.J.
5. **Alfredo Layne** ..... Panama
6. **Mario Martinez** ..... Mexico
7. **Johnny de la Rosa** ..... Detroit, Mich.
8. **Dwight Pratchett** ..... Gary, Ind.
9. **Edgar Castro** ..... Venezuela
10. **Francisco Tomas Cruz** ..... Brazil

11. Lester Ellis 12. Kenny Baysmore 13. Mario Miranda 14. Najib Daho 15. Eusebio Pedroza 16. Jean-Marc Renard 17. John Sichula 18. Oscar Bejines 19. Rafael Solis 20. Raphe Sims.

FEATHERWEIGHTS
(Not Over 126 Pounds)
WORLD CHAMPION

STEVE CRUZ* ..... Ft. Worth, Texas
1. **Azumah Nelson**** ..... Ghana
2. **Barry McGuigan** ..... Ireland
3. **Antonio Rivera***** ..... Puerto Rico
4. **Marcos Villasana** ..... Mexico
5. **Calvin Grove** ..... Pottstown, Pa.
6. **Bernard Taylor** ..... Knoxville, Tenn.
7. **Jackie Beard** ..... Detroit, Mich.
8. **Jose Marmolejo** ..... Panama
9. **Ki-Yung Chung** ..... Korea
10. **Antonio Esparragoza** ..... Venezuela

11. Min-Keun Oh 12. Refugio Rojas 13. Joe Ruelas 14. Jose Mario Lopez 15. George Navarro 16. Tyrone Jackson 17. Javier Marquez 18. Lupe Suarez 19. Hector Lopez 20. Robert Rivera.

JUNIOR FEATHERWEIGHTS
(Not Over 122 Pounds)
WORLD CHAMPION
TITLE VACANT

1. **Victor Callejas*** ..... Puerto Rico
2. **Samart Payakaroon**** ..... Thailand
3. **Juan (Kid) Meza** ..... Los Angeles, Calif.
4. **Loris Stecca** ..... Italy
5. **Jaime Garza** ..... Los Angeles, Calif.
6. **Harold Petty** ..... Fort Worth, Texas
7. **James Pipps** ..... Vidor, Texas
8. **Mike Ayala** ..... San Antonio, Texas
9. **Julian Solis** ..... Puerto Rico
10. **Ramon Dominguez** ..... Argentina

11. Tommy Valoy 12. Ji-Won Kim***** 13. Daniel Blanco 14. Louie Espinoza 15. Prayurasak Muangsurin 16. George Garcia 17. Seung-Hoon Lee 18. Jesse Benavides 19. Yun-Kap Choi 20. Valerio Nati.

BANTAMWEIGHTS
(Not Over 118 Pounds)
WORLD CHAMPION

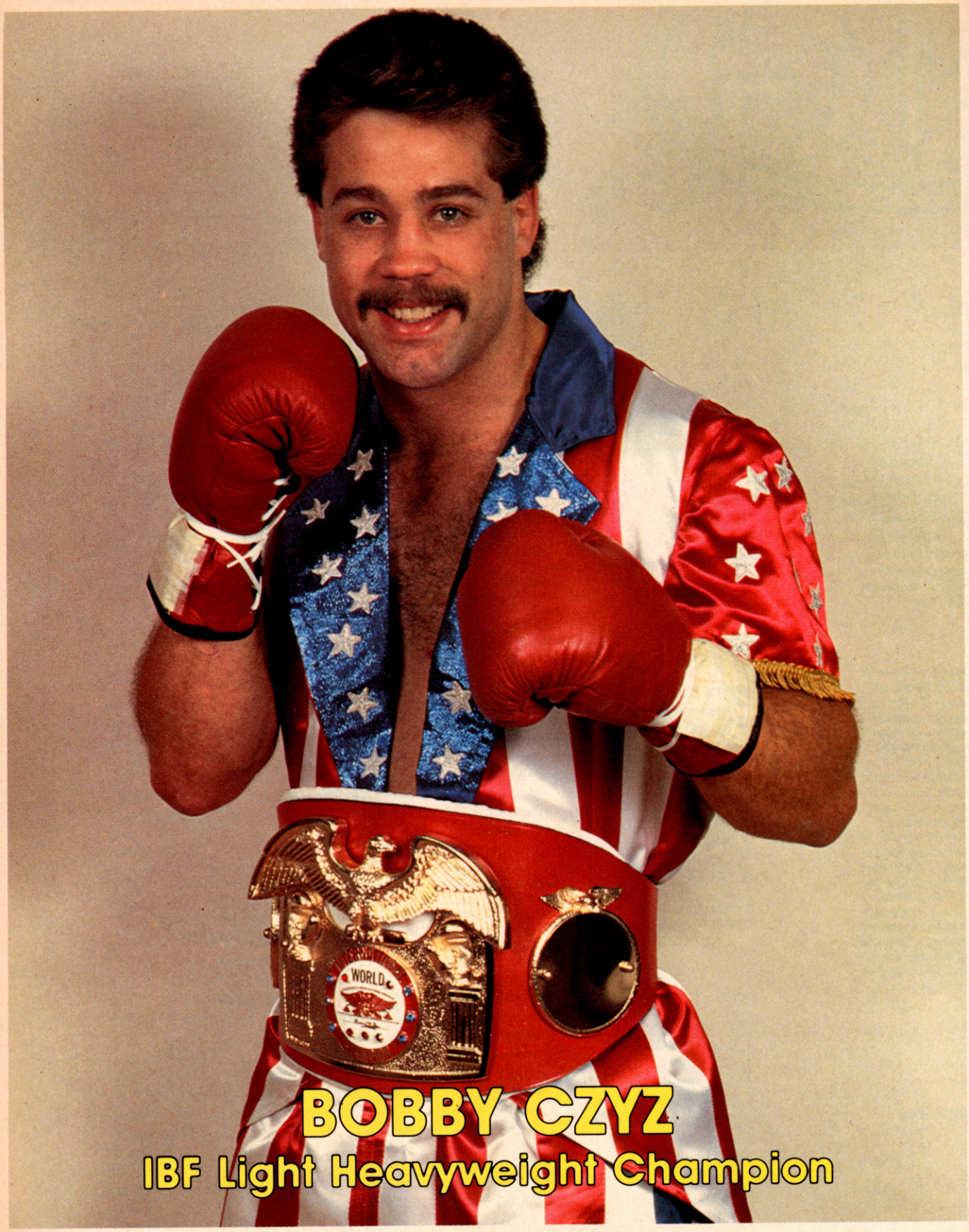
BERNARDO PINANGO* ..... Venezuela
1. **Miguel Lora**** ..... Colombia
2. **Kaosai Galaxy** ..... Thailand
3. **Gilberto Roman** ..... Mexico
4. **Jiro Watanabe** ..... Japan
5. **Jeff Fenech***** ..... Australia
6. **Gaby Canizales** ..... Laredo, Texas
7. **Albert Davila** ..... Pomona
8. **Greg Richardson** ..... Youngstown, Ohio
9. **Kelvin Seabrooks** ..... Charlotte, N.C.
10. **Daniel Zaragoza** ..... Mexico

11. Frankie Duarte 12. Elly Pical 13. Santos Laciar 14. Freddie Jackson 15. Antonio Avelar 16. Sugar Baby Rojas 17. Hurley Snead 18. Wilfredo Vasquez 19. Azael Moran 20. Edgar Monserrat.

FLYWEIGHTS
(Not Over 112 Pounds)
WORLD CHAMPION

SOT CHITALADA** ..... Thailand
1. **Jung-Koo Chang** ..... Korea
2. **Hilario Zapata*** ..... Panama
3. **Myung-Woo Yuh** ..... Korea
4. **Paul Gonzales** ..... Los Angeles, Calif.
5. **Gabriel Bernal** ..... Mexico
6. **Joey Olivo** ..... Los Angeles, Calif.
7. **Isidro Perez** ..... Mexico
8. **Hi-Sup Shin***** ..... Korea
9. **Benedicto Murillo** ..... Panama
10. **Alberto Castro** ..... Colombia

11. Jorge Cano 12. Dodie Penalosa 13. Javier Lucas 14. Rafael Caban 15. Jose DeJesus 16. Fidel Bassa 17. Rae-Ki Ahn 18. Duke McKenzie 19. Rafael Cabrera 20. Francisco Montiel.



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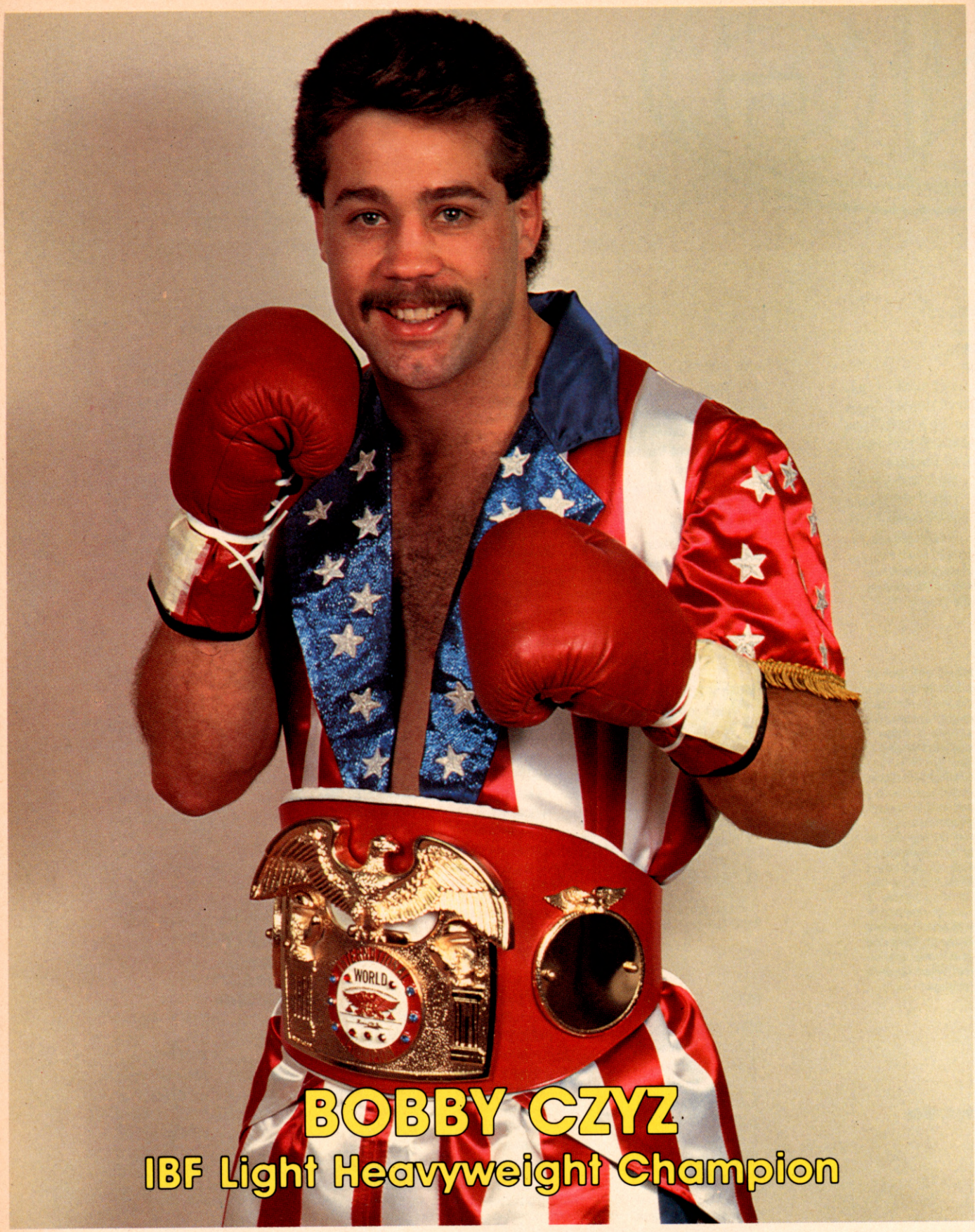

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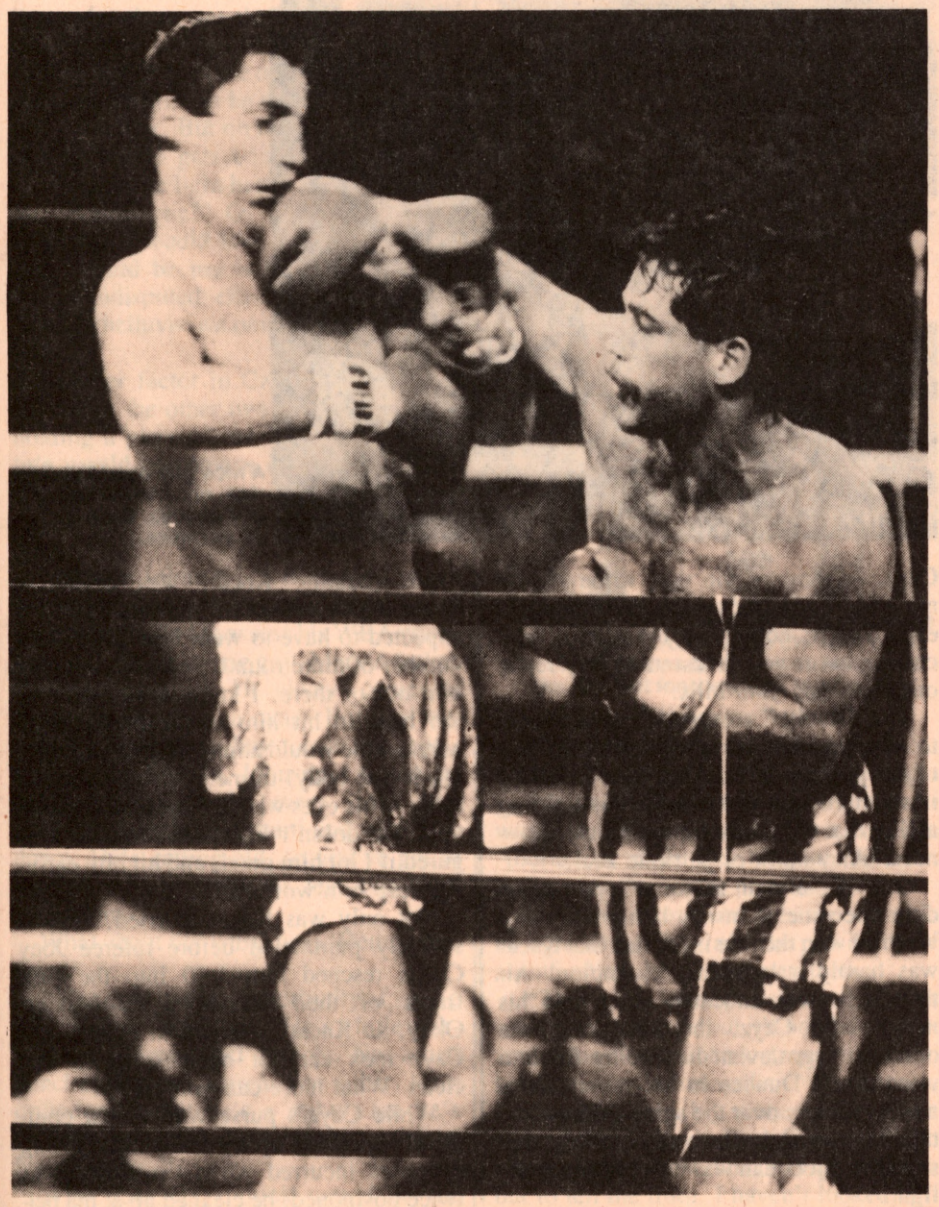
IS BOBBY CZYZ BOXING'S NEXT ALL-AMERICAN HERO?

New IBF Light Heavyweight Champ Tries to Make Up For Lost Time

By Nigel Collins



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IF BOBBY CZYZ HAD WON A PIECE OF the light heavyweight title back when he was first on a roll in '82, he'd be almost as hot as Mike Tyson right now. But Bobby has cooled down considerably since then.

Czyz's progress stalled after he lost to Mustafa Hamsho, and despite a handful of bouts spread out over the next three years, the former matinee idol's career was practically on hold until he belted out Slobodan Kacar last September for the IBF version of the 175-pound crown.

In the meantime, Czyz's marquee value has plummeted. He's no longer the media darling he was when his "white, bright and polite" image first flashed across the TV screen. The series of mishaps and tragedies that beset Bobby are well documented. But you've got to hand it to him. As a fighter, Czyz has hung in there. He never gave up on himself. He kept plugging until he finally got a title shot, and when he got it, he won convincingly.

"I always said that I didn't want to just *fight* for the title," Czyz is quick to point out. "I always said I wanted to *win* it."

Czyz's next trick—re-selling himself to the public—will probably be much harder than beating Kacar. His image took a pounding when he was arrested for aggravated assault in the summer of '84. But it was inactivity that hurt the most. Now Czyz, 24, has to rebuild his box office appeal all over again. This is never an easy task, but at least Bobby has a few things going for him.

"That white, bright and polite label I got early on did a lot for me," said Czyz during his visit to *The Ring*'s editorial offices a few days before Halloween. "That, and the offers of scholarships to medical school and West Point. I was the All-American Boy, the Golden Boy, what have you. But the thing that helped me the absolute most was having my pro debut televised on cable TV. At that time, cable was coming into boxing with the new concept of following fighters right from the start and letting the public grow with them."

Those heady early years must seem almost a lifetime ago by now. Czyz hasn't been on network TV since his loss to Ham-

Czyz (right) crashes a right into the face of defending champion Slobodan Kacar on his way to victory and the IBF light heavyweight title in Las Vegas.

sho. HBO telecast two of the bouts on the Las Vegas card that saw him capture the IBF belt (Spinks-Tangstad and Tyson-Ratliff), but didn't carry Bobby's title-winning effort.

"Bobby Czyz is an excellent TV fighter, but he's still in the 'on-deck circle' as far as HBO is concerned," said Seth Abrahams, president of HBO's sports programming. "He needs to build up his star value. In our minds he is still very much a local hero. Bobby is very popular in the North Jersey/New York City area, but has yet to build the national following needed to justify us putting him on HBO. We like to pick our spots."

"Bull," said Top Rank matchmaker Teddy Brenner to the suggestion that Czyz is just an East Coast favorite. "Back when we had Czyz on ESPN, we got mail all the way from Alaska about him. Czyz's problem is that he's in a dead division. But Bobby might be able to bring a little glamour to the light heavies. All he needs is one good win on TV. He can be revived. He's still got charisma."

Another knowledgeable observer who thinks Czyz has a good chance of rebuilding his appeal is ESPN's color commentator, Al Bernstein.

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"Czyz hasn't been on ESPN for a number of years, but in my travels around the country, I still have people asking me about him," Bernstein reported. "I think some people are missing the boat with Czyz. He seems to be a fighter who sticks in people's minds. If I was a TV executive, I would still try to market Bobby Czyz."

Since winning the IBF portion of the 175-pound title, Czyz has certainly been doing his best to keep himself in circulation.

"Over the past month they've sort of dragged me everywhere. To this talk show, to that talk show, this interview, that interview, dinners, you name it. After a while you get a little shell shocked, but I welcome the attention," said Czyz, who understands the importance of good public relations as well as any fighter. "It doesn't matter if you're Marvin Hagler, Bobby Czyz, or some movie star, whoever you are, you're a public person in the public's eye. You're nobody if the public isn't coming to see you. In essence, they're the ones who pay your bills."

A nice guy outside of the ring, once the opening bell sounds, Czyz is all business.

The "Rocky" costume Czyz has taken to wearing lately is merely cosmetic, part of the package he's trying to sell. Bobby is smart enough to know it's his fighting ability that will make him or break him—not a fancy outfit or patriotic zeal.

One of the main reasons Czyz's name didn't become an instant household word when he won the title is the fact that Kacar was hardly a legendary champion. Although he was unbeaten going into his match with Czyz, the best thing the obscure Yugoslavian had going for him was Angelo Dundee in his corner and a narrow victory over the aging Eddie Mustafa Muhammad. Once the opening bell sounded, Slobodan was never really in the fight.

"It (beating Kacar) was definitely easier than I expected," admits Czyz. "I expected to have to wear him down for a number of more rounds before I could get him out of there. I knew it wouldn't be too hard to hit him to the body, but I assumed he would adjust. But he kept giving it (the body) to me. I also saw something in his eyes when he beat Eddie Mustafa. He doesn't like punchers. So I figured if I hit him good, and hit him early, I'd keep him worried."

Not only was Kacar worried, he was severely pummeled before referee Joey Curtis rescued him 1:10 into the fifth frame of their scheduled 15-rounder. Okay, so Kacar is no world beater. But Czyz took care of business quick and clean. What more can you ask for?

While Czyz's purse was almost completely gobbled up by the extra training expenses incurred when the match was twice postponed, he cleaned up at the bet-

ting window.

"I literally bet the ranch," confessed Czyz. "My brother bet, my friends bet, I bet. In total, we must have bet close to six figures. It was like finding money in the streets. I just couldn't conceive of Kacar beating me."

Czyz doesn't hog the credit for his recent success. He's quick to remind people how important trainer Tommy Parks is to his program. He calls Parks his "secret weapon."

"We're such a team, we're like father and son," said Bobby. "Except for the fact that he's black and I'm white, you couldn't tell us from blood relatives."

Like many fighters, Czyz has mixed emotions about split titles.

"The fact that there are three titles is good and bad," said Czyz. "On the positive side, there are three titles, so there can be three champions. This gives triple the amount of guys the opportunity to fight for a world title, to be recognized, and to make a dollar. But on the other hand, the boxing public gets confused. They say, 'So you're the light heavyweight champion. Which one?' Of course, first and foremost, I would love to unify the title. That would be my wildest dream come true. Undisputed champion says it all. That's a helluvan accomplishment for anybody."

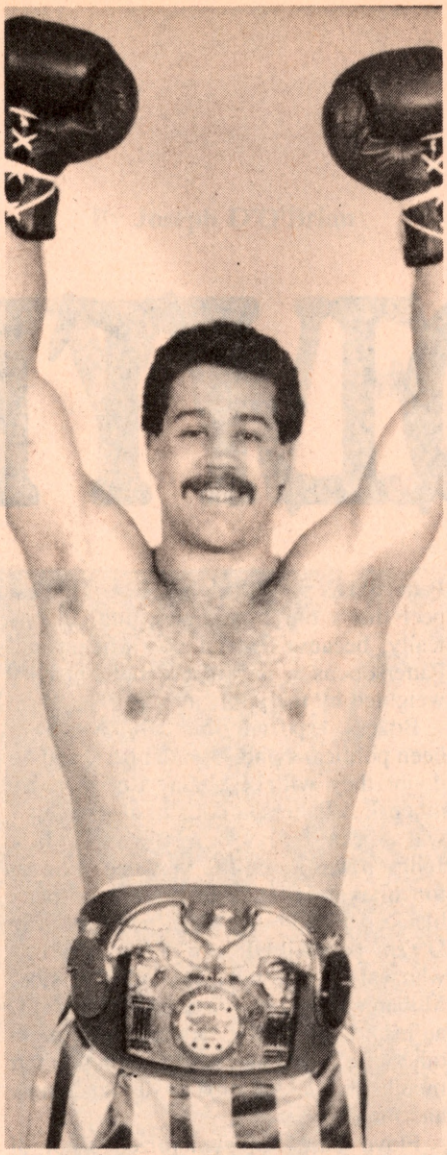
Another factor in Czyz's favor is that neither of the other two fighters currently holding a piece of the light heavyweight title would be champs if Michael Spinks hadn't moved up to heavyweight. He might very well be favored to beat them both.

"Marvin Johnson is a three-time world champion, but he's 32 and change," said Czyz when asked to assess his WBA counterpart. "He's a strong guy. Marvin makes no bones about it. He always comes to fight. It's always a war. But for my money, he takes a few too many shots. But that's Marvin Johnson. A rough, tough, rugged fight every time out. You've got to hit him hard and wear him down. He's getting old, so you've got to work his body, take his legs out from under him."

What about the WBC boss, Dennis Andries?

"I've only had the opportunity of seeing him twice," said Czyz. "He's a little awkward, but strong and durable. Not a bad puncher, but not a great one either. He's orthodox in that he's a righty, but he's unorthodox in the way he throws some of his punchers."

Who does Czyz think would be the sterner task, Johnson or Andries?



Czyz's two-fisted style of fighting has made him a crowd favorite since the start of his career. All he has to do now is hang onto the IBF belt long enough to cash in.

"It's Hard to say. As Johnson gets hit so often, and I can punch a bit, he might be easier. Andries is a little more awkward, not as easy to hit. It's a toss-up. Andries is more evasive, but Johnson really puts you under pressure."

The Ring also asked Johnson what he thought about Czyz and the possibility of a unification match between them.

"There is a lot of prestige and glamor in unifying the title, but it's not that important to me," said Johnson, speaking from his home in Indianapolis. "Right now, I'm looking for a big money fight. If it's with Bobby Czyz, fine. If not, I'll go where the money is. I have a tape of Czyz, but to tell the truth, I haven't looked at it yet. But anytime you fight a world champion, it's going to be a tough fight. I'm sure Bobby knows his way around the ring. But I definitely don't see him beating a Marvin Johnson."

Another fighter who looms as a future "name" in the light heavyweight division is Thomas Hearns. Though indications are that the "Hit Man" will challenge Andries in a bid to win his third world title, a fight with Czyz could still happen somewhere down the road.

"There has been some talk of a million dollar fight with Hearns," claimed Czyz. "Win, lose or draw, that's a helluva prize. But to be honest with you, I don't think Tommy Hearns can beat me. Though I don't want to reveal anything in advance, I think I know what it takes to beat Hearns."

Even if it takes a while for major fights to materialize, Czyz still has a few challengers around who might make for an attractive match. Canadian Donny LaLonde is getting a lot of attention with a series of quick wins, and Teddy Brenner hinted Top Rank is toying with the idea of matching Czyz with ticket seller Henry Milligan. Even old Willie Edwards' name has been bandied about.

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The important thing for Bobby is not to fall into the trap of sitting on the title waiting for a monster payday. As long as Czyz stays active, he should be ready to move out of the "on-deck circle" and step up to the prime-time plate before too long.

Throughout boxing history, light heavyweight champions have traditionally been forced to move up in weight and fight heavyweights in order to earn their best purses. Could this happen to Czyz, who began his pro career as a middleweight?

"I sincerely doubt it," said Czyz. "But as Michael Spinks says, "I'll fight anybody for the right price." But I'm a light heavyweight. I'm comfortable at light heavy. I've found a home here. It took me six years to win this title. If I can hold it for another six years, I'll be the happiest man alive." □

THE POLITICAL

A COUPLE OF MONTHS AGO, I WROTE an article dealing with several of my least-favorite fighters. In that article, I listed seven fighters who I never could stand, and who I rooted against every time they climbed into the ring.

If that article had been written 20 years ago, Floyd Patterson would almost certainly have been the eighth name on the list. Now that his career is long over and I can look at him with a certain remove, I find that he doesn't come anywhere near qualifying. As far as I can recall, this is the first and only instance in which I've gone from utterly disliking a fighter to rather liking him.

I suppose that's not surprising, though. Not when you consider how radically Patterson's place in boxing history has changed over the years. Revisionist plays might get written about Jack Johnson, and a few more people might agree today that Muhammad Ali was right in refusing to be drafted, but probably no heavyweight's political/historical stock has ever zoomed up and down and up again with the rapidity of Floyd Patterson's.

From the day Patterson first burst on the scene as an Olympic gold medalist at the 1952 Helsinki games, up to the present day, nobody has quite known how to take Patterson. Judging him as a fighter, nobody has ever agreed whether he was great, very good, good, average, poor or lousy. Regarding his contribution to the game as a whole, well, it might be tremendous or it might be nothing. As a person, Floyd is either a very good man or a bit of a creep. And as a political symbol—which he certainly was—Patterson was either very correct or very incorrect.

This last aspect of his persona—Floyd Patterson as a political symbol—is the aspect that's the most interesting, historically, because Patterson as a boxer and Patterson as a person are both heavily weighted by the political.

Boxers, especially black boxers, have been political symbols in the past, and no doubt they will be again. But in cases other than Patterson's, the issues have always been fairly straightforward. Jack Johnson was a real-life Stagolee, a threat to whites and a talisman of power to many blacks. Joe Louis was the American Dream personified, a rags-to-riches boy who always fought on God's side. Muhammad Ali was, among other things, an inspiration to other athletes who might otherwise have been shy of opening their mouths and taking unpopular stands now and then.

Floyd Patterson symbolized a lot of things to a lot of people. Mainly, though, he was the Hope of the Civilized World. No kidding, he was. And that was why I disliked him for lo those many years.

If you're much under thirty years old, you won't know this story. You'll probably know Patterson only by his (admittedly interesting) record: Olympic gold medalist in 1952; heavyweight champion of the world from 1956 to 1959 and again from 1960 to 1962; youngest heavyweight champ; first heavyweight champ to regain the title; 55 wins, eight losses, one draw, 40 kayoes; holder of the record for most times floored in title bouts, and so on.

Now add the fact that for the last ten years of Patterson's career—from 1962 to 1972—he was a political football, being tossed back and forth between the radical left, who thought he was an Uncle Tom, and the parlor liberals, who became temporary boxing fans as a result of their love affair with him. Real boxing fans, who for a while were inclined to judge Patterson as any fighter should be judged—on his merits—were forced despite themselves to assess Patterson on political grounds as well.

Here's how it happened:

For the first ten years of his professional career, Patterson was regarded with interest by most boxing fans mainly because nobody could figure out how good a fighter he was. He was flashy, with a style specifically tailored for TV. After a swift rise through the pro ranks, he scored a surprisingly easy win over the favored Archie Moore to become, at 21, the

Patterson hams it up with actor James Cagney in this 1960 publicity shot taken in New ton, Connecticut.

By Joseph D'O'Brian

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heavyweight champion of the world. People were pretty sure he was good, but they weren't certain sure. Somehow, the kid was just too good to be true. And besides, anybody who followed Rocky Marciano onto the throne, as Patterson did, would have to suffer by comparison.

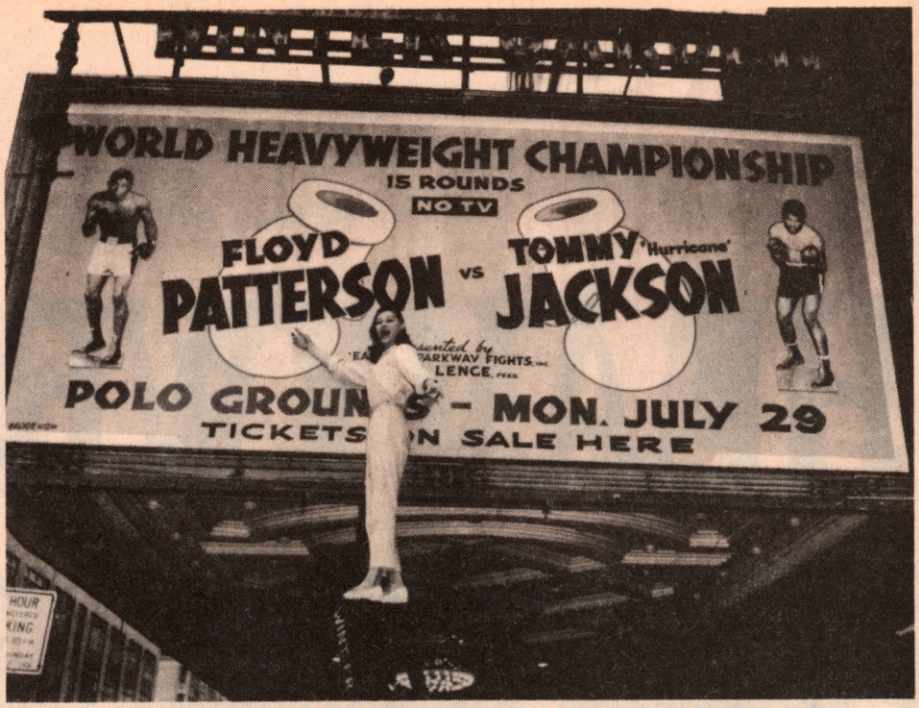
And for the first three years of his reign, from 1956 to 1959, Patterson didn't do much to improve his reputation. He defended his title, all right, but he did it mainly against stiffs. One challenger, Pete Rademacher, was an amateur. That's right, his first pro bout was for the title. And this guy actually put Patterson on the deck when they fought. So did Roy Harris, against whom Patterson defended the title in 1958, and who was not much better than Rademacher. So what were people to think? It was obvious that Patterson had a lot of potential, but he kept looking mediocre against a string of bums.

Then, in 1959, Patterson signed to fight Ingemar Johansson, a relative unknown from Sweden. Johansson was a nice-looking kid who didn't train, and who was reputed to have only one hand anyway. So Patterson was a 4-1 favorite, and people continued to complain that he never fought anyone good.

Well, Johansson did indeed have only one hand, but he landed it in the third round of the fight—repeatedly—and Patterson hit the floor seven times, and lost the title in a very discouraging fashion.

Patterson, then, was a complete fraud, everyone agreed. Johansson gave him a rematch, but there wasn't much Patterson money around that night. "Totally inadequate" was the way Gene Tunney described the ex-champ, and the rest of the boxing world concurred. Even when Patterson won the title back, in a manner as convincing as that of his previous defeat, he wasn't given much credit. People just concluded that he and Johansson were *both* bums. And indeed their third fight seemed to bear this out. Patterson won it by a six-round kayo, but it was a lousy, sloppy fight, each man poorly trained and committing blunder after blunder. Patterson simply won because he made the next-to-last mistake.

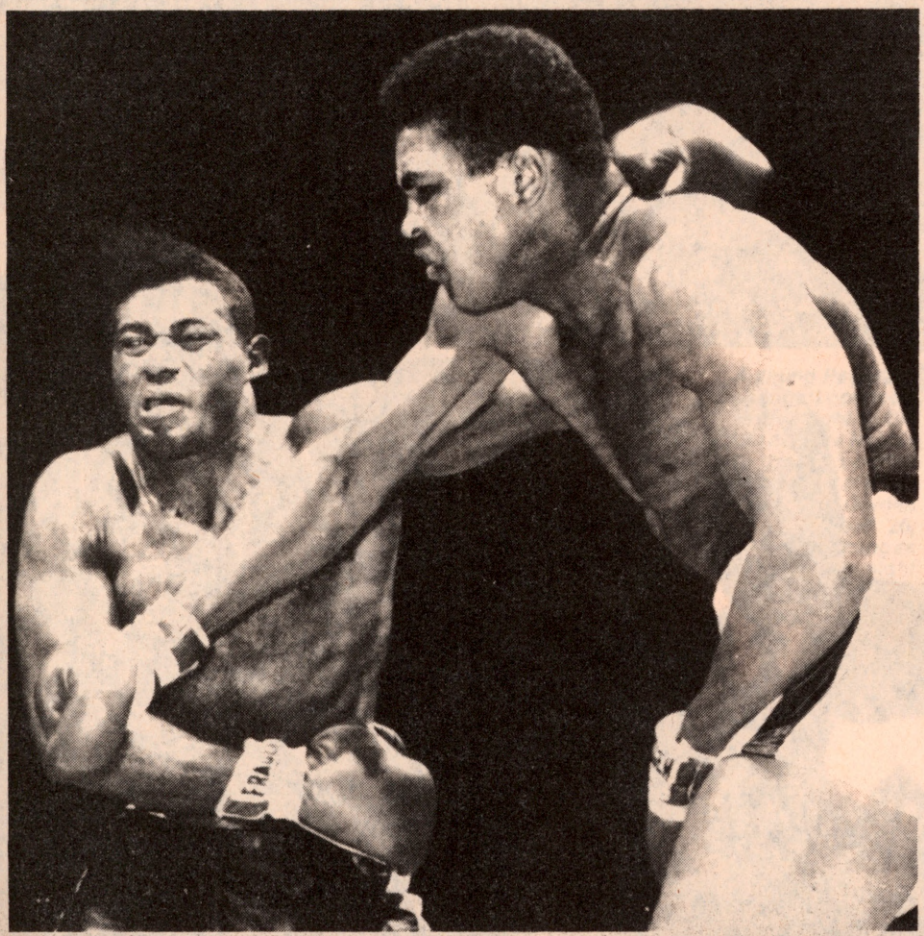
Meanwhile, a contender called Sonny Liston waited in the wings. Patterson's manager, Cus D'Amato, kept avoiding a match with Liston, partly because Liston was a nasty guy with mob connections, but mostly because it was plain that Liston would win. But when there's enough public demand for a match, it usually comes off, sooner or later. Liston didn't have many friends in the boxing community,



'Ziegfeld Girl' Odessa Fowler poses in front of the marquee for the Patterson-Jackson fight in 1957. Floyd scored a 10th round knockout to retain the heavyweight title.

Patterson shakes hands with Sonny Liston at a charity boxing show sponsored by the Scranton Elks Club. A little over a month later, Liston took Floyd's crown with a first round knockout.

Patterson with his wife Sandra and their eight-month-old daughter Seneca. This photo was taken shortly after Floyd kayoed Pete Rademacher in 1957.



Patterson endured two losing fights with Muhammad Ali. Here's Floyd taking a right to the jaw during their first bout in 1965. Ali retained the heavyweight title with a 12th round TKO in Las Vegas.

but there were enough fair-minded people around who felt that he deserved the shot—Floyd Patterson included—that the match was made.

And all of a sudden, Floyd Patterson was the public's darling. For years previous, he had been one of those fighters who never caught on, who wasn't able to capture the attention of boxing's marginal fans, let alone those who know nothing about the sport unless there happens to be a Muhammad Ali or a Ray Leonard on the scene. Now, because Liston was a surly, brutal-looking ex-convict, all that change. On the one hand we had Patterson, a quiet, humble, hard-working family man who had overcome a rough, impoverished childhood, persevered against Johansson, and become one of the most successful black men in the world: a walking advertisement for John F. Kennedy's "Great Society." On the other hand we had a gorilla.

Floyd Patterson was the Hope of the Civilized World. John F. Kennedy was counting on him. Eleanor Roosevelt was counting on him. Every parlor liberal who ever attended a Pete Seeger concert or voted for Adlai Stevenson was counting on him. Every middle-class black who figured Sonny Liston would give the race a bad name was counting on him. And after two minutes, the referee was counting on him, all the way to ten.

A few months later, in Las Vegas, the whole thing happened all over again. Nobody really thought that first fight had been a fluke, but they were all hoping it was. Liston had turned out to be just as horrible as everyone had known he would be, getting drunk in public, hanging out in unsavory nightclubs, driving too fast, even being sarcastic with reporters. And to top it all off, he scored another first-round kayo over Patterson.

Strangely, this was not Patterson's finish. Nobody dismissed him as a bum anymore; instead, it was said that he'd just been unlucky twice in a row against Liston.

And in the next couple of years, indeed, Patterson proved that he was no bum. He fought his way back up through the ranks, and in 1965, he got a match with the new champ, Muhammad Ali.

Once more, Patterson was seen by some as the Hope of the Civilized World. Ali belonged to a very scary organization, was in the thrall of that evil Svengali, Malcolm X, and was starting to make loud criticisms of the American government. Many of us were continuing to pray for a respectable man to regain the heavyweight

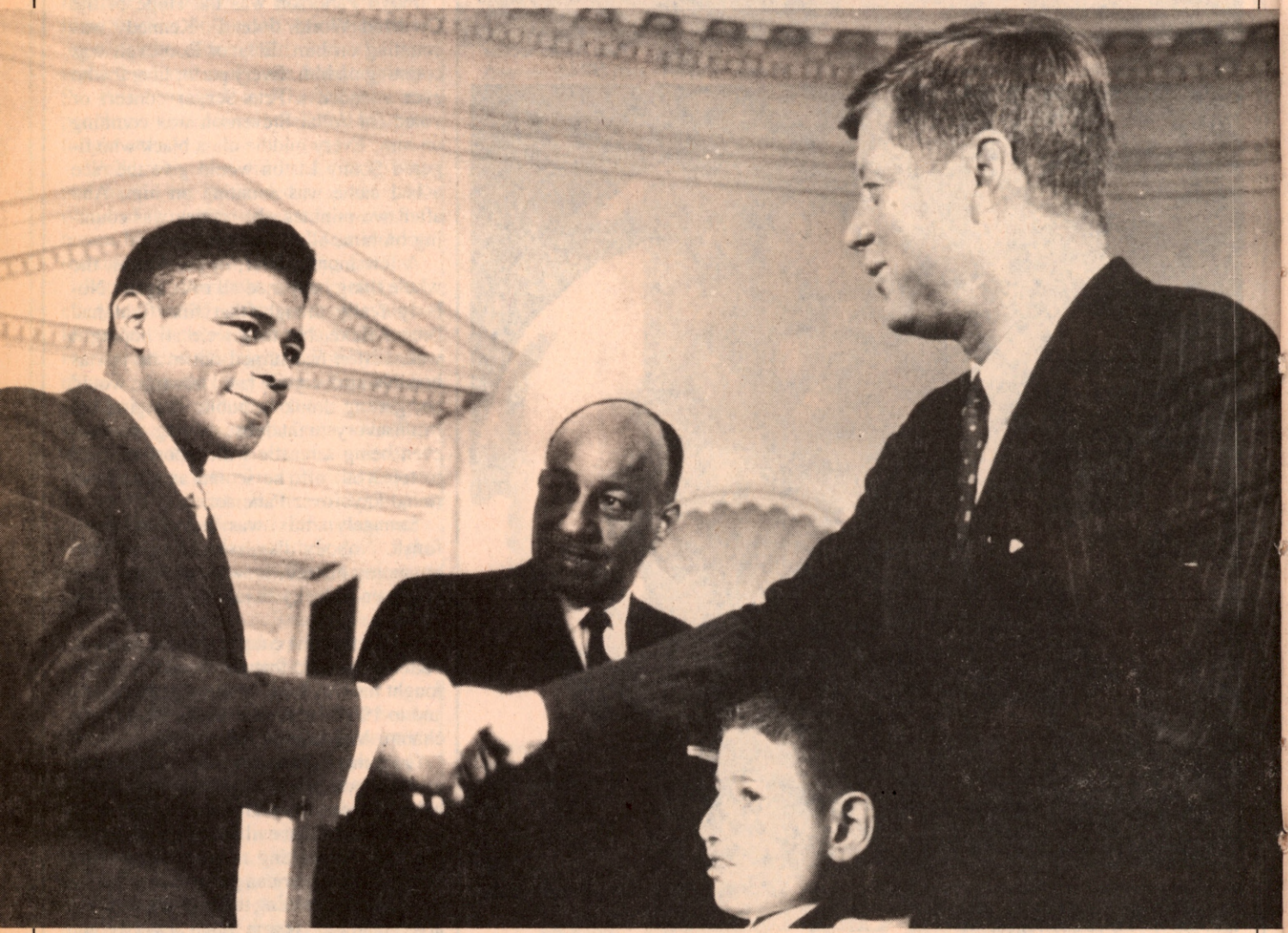
throne.

A lot had changed since 1962, though. Kennedy, Stevenson and Eleanor Roosevelt were dead. Pete Seeger was giving way to Phil Ochs. And a lot of middle-class blacks were saying to Ali, "Yeah! Give it to 'em!"

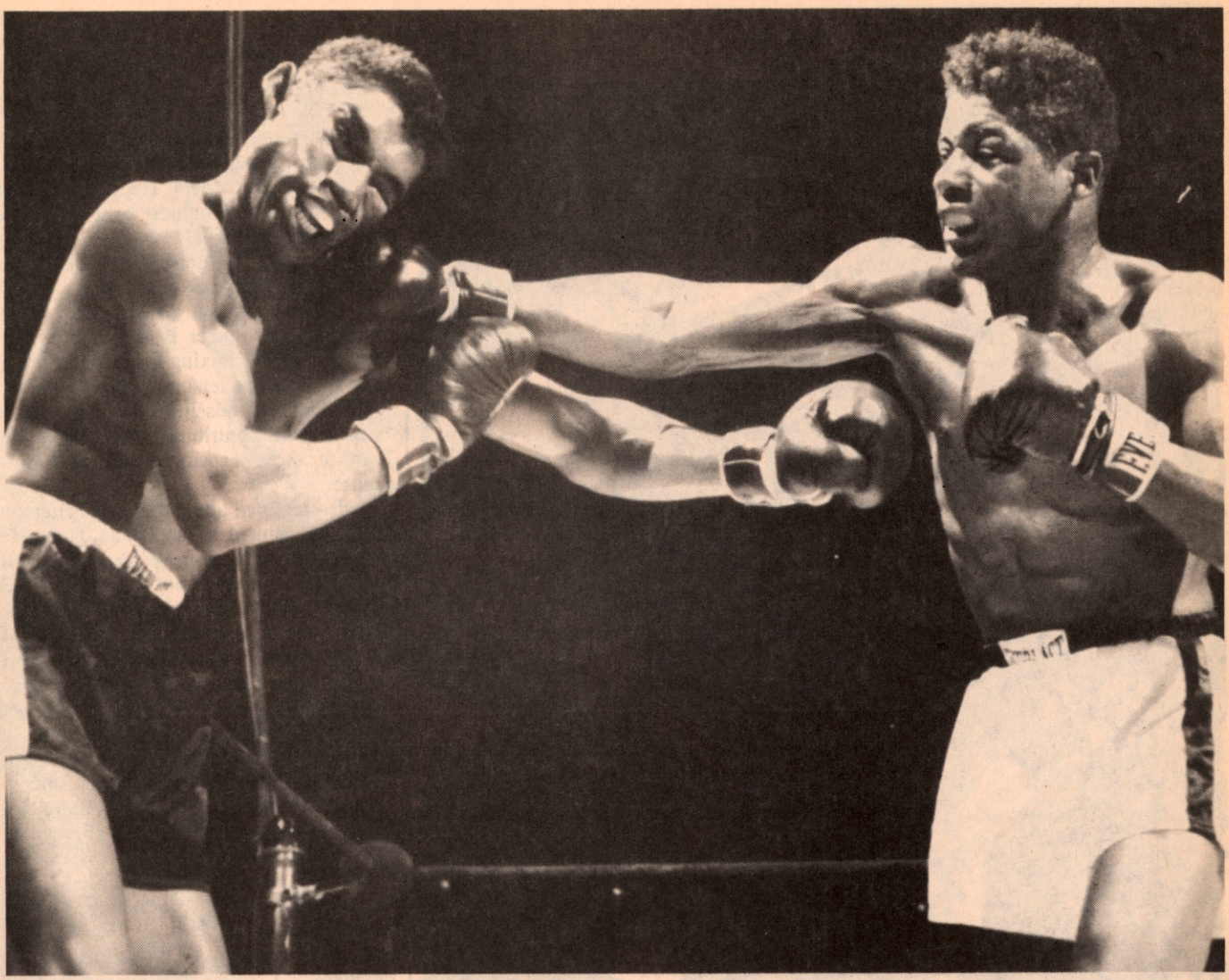
To some, then, Floyd Patterson had become an anachronism, a symbol of the phony liberalism of times past, which advocated advancement for blacks as long as they didn't get uppity. Not because of anything he'd done, really, but because of the people who were backing him. That 1965 Ali-Patterson bout was kind of like Malcolm X duking it out with Martin Luther King, as far as the public was concerned.

And Ali treated him like an anachronism, too, torturing him over twelve rounds (one writer said it was like tearing a butterfly apart piecemeal), and treating him with utter disdain. By doing so, Ali

Patterson always found time to work with youngsters. He currently trains his stepson, a budding preliminary fighter.



The champ goes to Washington. Patterson shakes hands with President John F. Kennedy during a 1962 meeting in connection with 'Big Brothers Week.' Also pictured are D.C. Commissioner John Duncan and 'little brother' Freddie Cicala.



A young Patterson (right) connects with a right to the jaw of Willie Troy en route to a fifth-round TKO at Madison Square Garden in 1955. Floyd, 20, was still fighting as a light heavyweight at the time.

Floyd strums a few notes before leaving New York City for his Miami Beach training camp to begin preparations for his third fight with Ingermar Johansson.

needlessly made himself a lot of enemies that night. And Patterson, by standing up to it, won at least grudging respect from everyone.

Patterson continued to fight for another seven years. He remained a title contender, and there are those who claim that he actually won back a portion of the crown by outpointing WBA Champ Jimmy Ellis in 1968, although he was robbed of the decision.

And for those remaining years, as I said, he was a symbol. A relic, by that time, but a symbol nonetheless of the innocent early years of the 1960s when some of us really believed that we were all brothers, and that if everybody would just act kind and civilized, everything would be okay.

Patterson's last fight was a rematch with Ali, in 1972. Ali again handled him easily, stopping him on cuts in the seventh. I saw a picture of that fight, in the issue of *Sports Illustrated* in which the bout was reported,

Archie Moore (left) parries a left from Patterrson during the early going of their battle for the heavyweight championship in Chicago. Floyd stopped 'Ancient Archie' in the fifth to win the title vacated by Rocky Marciano.

that I will never forget, because I think that one picture sums up Floyd Patterson as neatly as one picture ever summed up a man.

In the picture, snapped just after the fight had been called, Patterson stands in ring center, both eyes swollen shut, shrugging his shoulders with palms outstretched in the universal gesture of hapless apology.

But why did I dislike Patterson back then? Well, it was precisely because so many people were pinning their hopes on him. I was an Ali fan, but even if I hadn't been, I would have felt that Patterson was allowing himself to be used to stir up trouble where there didn't have to be any. And every time he called Ali "Clay"—which he still does, by the way—I'd think that in its quiet way, it was a really low-class thing to do.

And why do I have a better opinion of Patterson now? That's a tough one. I guess it's because I feel now that the world gave him kind of a raw deal. He's regarded as one of the poorer fighters ever to hold a title, but that's unfair. He was a very good fighter; he was just terribly unlucky to be around when Ali and Liston were around. He's also one of only two heavyweight champs—Joe Frazier is the other—who made a career of boxing even after retiring from the ring. Patterson has been a trainer and boxing commissioner for many years now, and his contribution to the sport in both of those capacities has been immense.

I also feel bad about the way Patterson has been painted as an Uncle Tom. He was never that; the worst you can say about his politics was that he made some bad mistakes with regard to Ali and Liston, and maybe he showed a certain lack of class where Ali was concerned. But I must say that I don't suspect him of having done anything out of political or financial expediency. I might still strongly disapprove of the way he let himself be used by certain people, but I believe that he was sincere about it. Probably a damn sight more sincere than the people who cast him as the good guy in the first place.

But I guess what finally caused me to "get religion" about Patterson was a segment I heard a couple of years ago on the radio news show "All Things Considered."

"All Things Considered" is one of those shows that's as popular with today's parlor liberals as *The Nation* magazine was 25 years ago (Hey, I may say nasty things about parlor liberals, but I never said I wasn't one myself), and Floyd Patterson occasionally appears on it as a commentator whenever a story on boxing comes up. But in this case, they were doing a long series on the subject of "manhood." For several days running, for about ten minutes each day, they would interview one or two famous men, who would hold forth on what manhood meant to them.

Well, Patterson was one of the interviewees. And instead of talking about boxing, he spoke very thoughtfully on how manhood consisted of things like changing diapers and such stuff that you wouldn't expect to hear from a fighter. And although I didn't like to, I had to admit to myself that we could use a fighter like Floyd Patterson today. □

VICTORY OVER MYSELF
OVER MYSELF FLOYD PATTERSO

RINGS AROUND THE WORLD

Edited By Herbert G. Goldman

NORTH AMERICA

UNITED STATES

CALIFORNIA

▶**SAN DIEGO—El Cortez Hotel**—Tim Williams, 162, San Diego needed a final round knockdown to win a 10-round split decision over Israel Cole, 161, Las Vegas. Cole (5-3-1) floored Williams (12-2) in the fifth and led clearly through seven. But Williams, who had one point deducted for a low blow in the sixth, rallied to win the final three rounds. Scoring: referee Pat Russell, 96-94, Cole; judge Fritz Werner, 96-92, Williams; judge Danny Millsap, 94-93, Williams.

Larry Musgrove, 164, Los Angeles, knocked out Juan Neri, 163½, San Diego, in 2:03 of the third round in a scheduled six. Neri was down in every round. Fritz Werner, referee.

Orlin Norris, 199, San Diego, did most of the fighting and won a unanimous four-round decision over Ray Mitchell, 194, Los Angeles. Scoring: referee Werner, 40-37; judge Russell, 39-37; judge Millsap, 40-36.

Improving unbeaten Willie Wilson, 165, San Diego, flattened dangerous Jeff Medley, 165, Ontario, in 2:44 of the first round in their schedueled four. The fight was stopped after Medley went down for the second time from big right hands.

Debuting Mike Zena, 128½, El Cajon, was much too strong and quick for Jose Hernandez, 124, who was counted out by referee Russell in 1:07 of the third round in another scheduled four.

Unbeaten Gabby Ortiz, 141½, National City, kayoed David Nicks, with a left hook in 0:21 of the second round in their scheduled four. Fritz Werner, referee.

Dr. William Lundeen, ringside physician.
Mike Millsap, timekeeper.
Ernie Swanks, ring announcer.
Jerry Niss, matchmaker.
Mike Altenger, promoter.
(09-18-86)

▶**UNIVERSAL CITY—Sheraton Universal Hotel**—African welterweight champion Charles Nwokolo, 148, Ibo, Nigeria, made a successful United States debut with a unanimous decision over California prospect Rigo Lopez, 148, El Cajon, in a hard fought 10. Nwonkolo (15-0) lost the early rounds, but Lopez (15-2) faded badly from the fifth. Scoring: referee Larry Rozadilla, 97-93; judge Raul Caiz, 97-93; judge Gwen Adair, 96-94.

Tyrone Jones, 157, Los Angeles, could only manage a draw with tall teenager Otis Pimpleton, 150, Las Vegas, five. Pimpleton (1-1-1) had a successful junior career, but seems to lack confidence as a pro. Jones (5-0-2) was a late substitute. Scoring: referee Adair, 48-47 Jones; judge Caiz, 48-48; judge Rozadilla, 48-48.

Javier Lara, 118, North Hollywood, won every round for a unanimous decision over Hilario Aguilar, 117, Solano Beach, six. Lara (6-5-1) has won three straight. Raul Caiz, referee.

Improving Cliff Jackson, 155½, San Diego, unanimously outpointed comebacking veteran Pat Coffey, 158, Los Angeles, four. Jackson (1-2) was floored in the final seconds after winning the first three rounds. Scoring: referee Caiz, 38-37; judge Rozadilla, 38-37; judge Adair, 39-37.

Daryl Colquitt, 149, Los Angeles, edged Randy McGuire, 148, Los Angeles, in a four-round crowd chaser. Gwen Adair, referee.

Dr. Harold Markowitz, ringside physician.
Aaron Koslow, timekeeper.
Jimmy Lennon, Jimmy Lennon, Jr., ring announcers.
Harry Kabakoff, matchmaker.
Fernando Patino, promoter.
(09-24-86)

▶**IRVINE—Marriott Hotel**—Francisco Seguara, 129, Coachella, rallied in the final three rounds to win a one-point 10-round majority decision over Greg Puente, 129, Alhambra, in a great fight. Puente (7-1-4) won the middle rounds with a punishing body attack, but the stamina and combination punching of Segura (10-1) proved decisive. Scoring: referee Dr. James Jen-Kin, 96-96; judge Raul Caiz, 98-94; judge Eddie Rodriguez, 96-95.

Cecil Coffee, 205, Flatwoods, Kentucky, impressively stopped outclassed Dave Yonko, 234, Long Beach, in 2:13 of the third round in a scheduled six. A series of combinations to the head and body of popular Yonko (4-3) forced the intervention of referee Caiz. Coffee improved his record to 16-0-2.

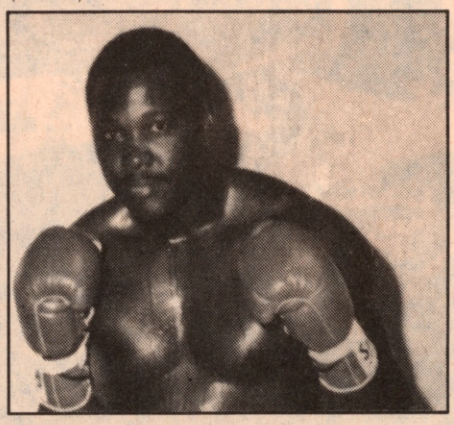
Lee Sentinella, 162½, Huntington Beach, spectacularly kayoed Otis Bell, 159, Long Beach, with a left hook in 2:58 of the fourth round in their scheduled six. Sentinella (10-0-1) cautiously outboxed the defensive minded Bell in the first three rounds. Raul Caiz, referee.

Orlin Norris, 197, San Diego, TKO'd previously unbeaten Ricky Reese, 213, Los Angeles, in just 0:32 of the first round in another scheduled six. Reese apparently took a thumb in the eye and was unable to continue. Jen-Kin, referee.

Zeke Thompson, 205, Long Beach, continued his comeback with a stoppage win over Pierre Marchand, 211, San Diego, in 2:08 of the third round in a scheduled four. Marchand was floored by a right to the body and then stopped fighting back. Jen-Kin, referee.

Veteran Raul Morales, 139, Los Angeles, won a four-round majority decision over winless Rodney Capps, 139, San Bernardino. Scoring: referee Caiz, 38-38; judge Jen-Kin, 39-37, Morales; judge Rodriguez, 39-37, Morales.

Dr. Michael Deluca, Dr. Mario Ficarola, ringside physicians.
Mike Millsap, timekeeper.
Danny Valdivia, ring announcer.
John Cabrera, matchmaker.
Don Fraser, promoter.
(09-25-86)



Veteran heavyweight Larry Alexander outpointed Mark Wills to win the $50,000 Forum heavyweight tournament.

▶**INGLEWOOD—Forum**—Larry Alexander, 227½, Bronx, won the Forum heavyweight championship with a unanimous 12-round decision over Mark Wills, 215, Van Nuys. Alexander (31-10-3) was clearly in control in the second half of the fight. Wills fell to 8-6-1. Scoring: referee Rudy Jordan, 116-114; judge Dick Young 116-112; judge Chuck Hassett, 117-111.

Alvin Hayes, 134, Detroit, controversially stopped Edwin Curet, 134½, Brockton, on a cut lip in 2:46 of the fifth round in a scheduled 10. Curet (21-6-2) was down in the third and Hayes (27-2) was ahead on points in this Forum lightweight tournament quarter-final bout. Pat Connolly, referee.

Walter Sims, 134½, Van Nuys, came back from two first round knockdowns to unanimously outpoint hard hitting Chris Calvin, 134, Old Hickory, Tennessee, 10. Sims (22-5-2) advances to the semi-finals of the Forum lightweight tournament. It was a thrilling fight, with Sims rallying to floor Calvin (22-5-2) in the third with a right. It was several rounds before Calvin could recover. Scoring: referee Robert Byrd, 95-94; judge Young, 96-91; judge Hassett, 96-91.

Daniel Garcia, 122½, Los Angeles, kayoed Armando Baeza, 123½, Norwalk, who was floored and counted out in 0:46 of the third round in a scheduled six. Teenager Garcia (5-2-1) looks promising. Pat Connolly,referee.

Keith Potts, 140, Pomona, unanimously outpointed Andres Montoya, 140, Las Vegas six. Montoya (8-3-2) could never solve the southpaw style of the much faster Potts (9-3-1).

Terry Norris, 151, San Diego, unanimously outscored George Murphy, 150, Compton, four, all three officials scoring 40-36. Gwen Adair, referee.

Aggressive Robert Lewis, 132, Los Angeles, was a split points winner over counter punching Oscar Ornelas, 135, Los Angeles, four. Scoring: referee Adair, 40-37, Lewis; judge Byrd, 40-36, Lewis; judge Connolly, 39-38, Ornelas.

Joel Franco, 115½, Los Angeles, won a four-round split decision over Norberto Ayala, 116, Anaheim. Scoring: referee Adair, 39-37, Ayala; judge Connolly, 40-37, Franco; judge Byrd, 40-36, Franco.

Dr. Bernhart Schwartz, ringside physician.
Jimmy Lennon, Jimmy Lennon, Jr., ring announcers.
Antonio Curtis, matchmaker.
Jerry Buss, promoter.
(09-25-86)

▶**RESEDA—Country Club**—Frankie Duarte, 120¼, Venice, almost suffered a suprise setback in his bid for a world title fight before knocking out Jose (Pulga) Torres, 119, Tucson, in 2:03 of the ninth round in a scheduled 10. Duarte (41-6-1) was badly cut over the left eye in the first round and over the right eye in the third frame from head clashes. Duarte, a local hero, had to nervously survive visits by friendly ringside physician Dr. Robert Karns in nearly every round. But Duarte was well ahead on the official scorecards, especially after Torres (21-18-2) was floored and saved by the bell in the seventh. Torres absorbed punishment in the eighth and then was dropped for the count by a right to the chin in the ninth. Torres, who won only the first round, lost points in the third for butting and in the ninth for holding and hitting. Larry Rozadilla, referee.

Antoine Byrd, 163, Pomona, won a disputed majority decision over Rickey Locke, 164, Bakersfield, in a good six. Byrd has won five of his six starts. Scoring: referee John Thomas, 59-57, Byrd; judge Raul Caiz, 58-56, Byrd; judge Rozadilla, 58-57, Locke.

Popular Miguel Mendoza, 134, Burbank, won a hard fought four-round majority decision over debuting Victor Barajas, 135, Los Angeles. Scoring: referee Caiz, 39-37; judge Rozadilla, 39-37; judge Thomas, 40-36.

Milford Kemp, 163, Los Angeles, knocked out Granger Gray, 164, Hollywood, in 2:26 of the third round in a scheduled four. Gray was down twice. John Thomas, referee.

Cliff Jackson, 160, San Diego, and Tom Lillard, 165, Pasadena, drew, four. Scoring: referee Caiz, 38-38; judge Rozadilla, 38-38; Judge thomas, 39-38, Jackson.

Daryl Colquitt, 148, Los Angeles, again clearly outscored Randy McGuire, 150 Los Angeles, four. John Thomas, referee.

Aaron Koslow, timekeeper.
Jimmy Lennon, Jr., ring announcer.
Jerry Niss, matchmaker.
Daniel Goossen, promoter.
(09-30-86)

▶**INGLEWOOD—Forum**—Joey Olivera, 135, Pasadena, won a 10-round split decision over heavily favored Freddie Pendleton, 135, Miami, in a quarter-final bout in the Forum lightweight tournament. The loser's corner protested, but streaking club fighter, Olivera (17-8-1), simply outhustled the world ranked Pendleton (17-4-1) and deserved the upset victory. Scoring: referee Dr. James Jen-Kin, 97-94, Pendleton; judge Rudy Jordan, 96-95, Olivera; judge Lou Filippo, 96-95, Olivera.

Frankie Swindell, 174½, Nashville, scored an easy TKO over hard trying Jerome Clouden, 172½, New Orleans, at 2:16 of the sixth round in a scheduled 10 to advance in the Forum light heavyweight tourney. Clouden (21-6) was hurt several times, but was never off his feet. Swindell is unbeaten in 11 starts. Rudy Jordan, referee.

Robert Folley, 174½, Irvington, New Jersey, outslugged exceptionally game Eric Holley, 175, Tampa, in another Forum light heavyweight tournament elimination bout. Folley (14-2) seemed to dominate, but the unanimous scoring (referee Filippino, 96-94; judge Jordan, 96-95; judge Dr. Jen-Kin, 97-94) was suprisingly close. Holley fell to 15-2.

Jorge Casares, 132, Blythe, sent previously unbeaten Sergio Novella, 131, Sun Valley, to the canvas twice with lefts and won by a knockout in 2:30 of the first round in a scheduled six. Cazares is now 8-1-1. Raul Caiz, referee.

Unbeaten Terry Norris, 150, San Diego, was well on his way to a shutout points victory over Daryl Colquitt, 149½, Los Angeles, when referee Caiz intervened at 2:36 of the fourth and final round. Colquitt should have been allowed to continue.

Ruben Bajo, 116, East Los Angeles, successfully made his pro debut with a four-round unanimous decision over winless Sergio Gamino, 117½, Highland Park. Scoring: referee Gwen

Adair, 39-37; judge Caiz, 39-37; judge Eddie Rodriguez, 39-38.
Dr. Bernhart Schwartz, Dr. Michael Deluca, ringside physicians.
Ernie Snow, timekeeper.
Jimmy Lennon, Jr. ring announcer.
Antonio Curtis, matchmaker.
Jerry Buss, promoter.
(10-07-86)

▶**LOS ANGELES—Olympic Auditorium**—Talented 1984 Olympic silver medalist Hector Lopez, 128, Glendale, won a near shutout 10-round unanimous decision over rough Mexicart Bruno Rabanales, 128½, Ciudad Hidalgo, but not before some anxious moments caused by a deep cut on the right eyelid of Lopez (11-1), which poured blood from late in the second. Rabanales (21-5-1) chased the quicker Lopez and made him work hard in every round. Both fighters were penalized a point in the fourth —Rabanales for a low blow, Lopez for clearly hitting after the bell. Scoring: referee Vince Delgado, 99-90; judge Chuck Hassett, 99-89; judge John Thomas, 98-90.

Mauricid Aceves, 136½, Mexico City, scored TKO over once promising Ernie Landeros, 137, Eagle Rock, when Landeros turned his back and went down to one knee after taking a solid right on his already painfully closed left eye at 0:48 of the eighth in a punishing scheduled 10. Aggressive Landeros (13-4-1) was successful in the early rounds with clubbing rights to the head and body. But Aceves (22-4), Mexico's fourth ranked lightweight, was the better and more composed boxer, and Landeros won only one round from the third. Scoring: referee Thomas, 67-67; judge Delgado, 68-65, Aceves; judge Hassett, 67-66, Aceves.

Unbeaten Fernando Guzman, 130, Los Angeles, knocked out Ernesto Bucio, 128½, Los Angeles, with a right in 0:58 of the first round in a scheduled six. Lou Moret, referee.

Carlos Manzano, 117, San Pedro, wore down and stopped suprisingly competitive Joel Franco, 116½, East Los Angeles, with a non-stop barrage of punches at 2:46 of the sixth and final round. Manzano (11-4-1) floored Franco (2-5-2) seconds before the intervention of referee Moret.

Robert Lopez, 117½, Glendale, knocked down poor Alvarado Rosquero, 115, Los Angeles, twice and won by knockout in 1:23 of the first round in a scheduled four. Lou Moret, referee.

Dr. Bernhart Schwartz, Dr. Michael Deluca, ringside physicians.
Mike Millsap, timekeeper
Jimmy Lennon, Jr., ring announcer.
Rogelio Robles, promoter and matchmaker.
(10-09-86)

▶**SAN DIEGO—El Cortz Hotel**—David Gutierrez, 147, Chula Vista, struggled to unanimously outpoint crafty substitute Ray Morales, 146½, Los Angeles, 10. Off this bout, Olympic trials runner-up Gutierrez (16-0) would have been hard pressed to defeat original opponent Alphonso Long. Scoring: referee Lou Moret, 96-94; judge Hal Rickards, 97-95; judge Frank Rustich, 98-94.

Prospect Mike Zena, 128½, El Cajon, shutout Lonnie Bryant, 126, San Diego, four. Frank Rustich, referee.

Richard Demarco, 115½, Newport Beach, won a disputed majority verdict over Robert Jackson, 158, Los Angeles, in a very close four. Scoring: referee Tony Guitron, 39-37; judge Rickards, 39-38; judge Rustich, 38-38.

Stewart Baynes, 140, Pasadena, busted up and unanimously outscored previously unbeaten Gabby Ortiz, 140, National City, in a gruelling six. Baynes (6-5) lost only the opening round. Scoring: referee Rustich, 58-55; judge Guitron, 59-54; judge Moret, 59-54.

Vince Steele, 147, El Cajon, won his pro debut when the corner of Randy McGuire, 149, Los Angeles, threw in the towel at 1:16 of the second round in a scheduled four. Tony Guitron,referee.
Dr. William Lundeen, ringside physician.
Mike Millsap, timekeeper.
Ernie Swanks, ring announcer.
Jerry Niss, matchmaker.
Mike Altinger, promoter.
(10-16-86)

DEAN LOHUIS

HAWAIIAN ISLANDS

▶**HONOLULU—Blaisdell Center**—Former IBF junior featherweight champion Bobby Berna, 124½, Phillippines, knocked out Victor Paredes, 126¼, Mexico City, with an awesome right cross in 3:09 of the fifth round in a scheduled 10. Paredes was ahead on all three scorecards prior to the knockout. Berna is now 30-4-2. Paredes, who had not fought since September, 1984, is 12-4-0.

Nilo Alamag, 131½, Philippines, won a split (100-95, 98-94, 95-96) decision over Juan Parades, 129¾, Mexico City, 10. Alamag is now 15-3-2. Paredes (Victor's brother) is 26-8.

Larry Benson, 145½, Nanakuli, won a unanimous decision over Carlos Marcano, 145, Wahiawa, five. Torres is now 4-1. Marcano is 1-1.

David Meadows, 153¾, Honolulu, won a unanimous decision over debuting Ropati Tautua, 153¾ Honolulu, five. Meadows is now 14-8-1.

Augusto Tulba, 106¼, Honolulu, TKO'd fellow debutant Jaime Abregana, 103¼, at 0:47 of the first round in a scheduled four.
Referees—Abraham Pacheco, Manuel Tolentino.
Judges—Chuck Williams, Herbert Minn, Tamotsu Tomihara.
Timekeepers—Clarence Senarighi, Henry Perreira.
Ringside Physicians—Robert Maehara, Edmund Lum.
T.N.T. Productions, Inc.
Matchmaker—Tad Kawamura.
Attendance—1,215. Gross—$9,900.
(10-07-86)

MICHIGAN

▶**STERLING HEIGHTS—Premier Center**—Donny (Golden Boy) Lalonde, 172, Winnipeg, fought the first southpaw of his life in Charles (Hollywood) Henderson, 175¾, Kansas City. Lalonde seemed to have trouble getting in the groove against the southpaw in the first three rounds, but, in the fourth, he unleashed a barrage of right hand bombs that put the fight completely in his control from then until the contest was stopped at 1:04 of the eighth round. Lalonde, now 27-2 with 23 stoppages, is showing a good straight left jab, whereas earlier in his career (pre-Teddy Atlas) he used a hooking, pawing left that did little good and relied solely on his right hand. Henderson, now 16-6, stayed competetive in the fight by timing everything to come countering a left jab. This worked in the first three rounds until Lalonde learned to avoid the countering jab and come back with a double jab of his own. Then he owned Henderson. Lalonde has improved immensly under the guidance of David Wolf.

The co-feature was a short one as Spencer (The Warrior) Chavis, 198¼, Dearborn Heights, tuned up for his upcoming NABF light heavyweight championship tiff with Bert Cooper by putting away Willie Mayberry, 196, Duluth, in one minute and 28 seconds. Chavis, now 19-1, gave chase and landed a vicious left hook that dropped Mayberry, whose head slammed into the canvas harder than the blow that put him there. When a really groggy Mayberry tried to rise, referee Marv MacDonald stopped the contest.

The remainder of the card was made up of six four-rounders with the most exciting pitting young Richard Burden, 137¼, Detroit, against Sebastian Wilburn, 139, Benton Harbor. It was a well fought fight that saw Burden, 5-1-1, win a unanimous decision on the scorecards, 40-35, 39-37, and 39-37, over Wilburn, now 3-3. The bout was filled with slick moves, but fans got a scare in the fourth when Wilburn was spun around and sailed cleanly through the ropes and came crashing down on a ringside table. He was not hurt.

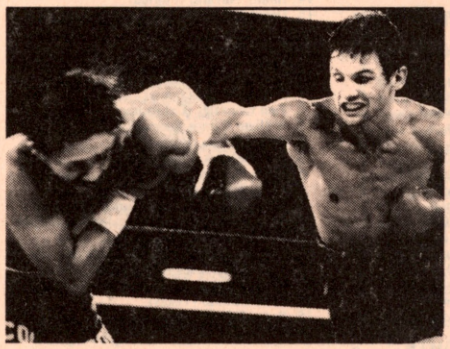
Local amateur star Renaldo (Little Red) Carter, 115, Detroit, made his pro debut against another debutant in Sherman Dixon, 121, Milwaukee, and dominated the fight. Carter, now 1-0, put Dixon down once in the first and three times in the second to end the contest on an automatic TKO at 2:03 of the second canto.

Wendell Lewis, 187¼, Detroit, was lucky to keep his unbeaten streak intact at 1-0-1 when the judges saw his bout with Richard Hardface Mason, 181, Cincinnati, a majority draw. The Detroit southpaw breathed a sigh of relief when the judges scored it 38-38, 38-38, with the third judge opting for Mason, now 1-1-1, at 39-37 in a good close fight.

First fight victories also came to three more debuting fighters on this card. L.C. Robinson, 159, St. Louis, scored a unanimous four round decision over Dave Diener, 160¾, Flint. The cards read 40-36, 40-36, and 40-35 for Robinson. Diener dropped to 2-7-1. Chuck (Cheesecake) Peters, 160½, Grosse Pointe, Mich. won his first outing by badly bloodying Bruce Card, 163, Memphis, with a nasty cut over his right eyelid. The doctor stopped the contest at the end of the second round.

The third new face was actually two newcomers with Ellery Thomas, 141, Detroit, leveling Sam Brown, 134, Flint, with a right hand to bring the contest to a halt at 1:28 of the opening stanza.
ABC Promotions.
Matchmaker—Bojack Magmum.
Referees—Hugh Smither, Marvin MacDonald.
Judges—Tom Briscoe, Bernie Humphrey, Charlene Warner.
Timekeeper—Joe Kollins.
Ring Announcer—Ernie Robinson
Attendance—500 (estimated).
(09-30-86)

DAVE HARTOON



Andy Minsker (right) blasts Tommy Cordova with a right to the head en route to a 10-round decision at the Showboat.

NEVADA

▶**LAS VEGAS—Showboat**—With the first two 10-rounders abbreviated early by dynamic punching, it was left to Andy Minsker and Tommy Cordova to give Southern Nevada fight buffs their money's worth in a recent Top Rank tripleheader at the Showboat Hotel-Casino.

Minsker, 24, prevailed in a junior lightweight matchup he had declared "to win or retire" when he held off the lunging Cordova for a 10-round split decision in action televised nationally by ESPN.

Before the Milwaukie, Ore., product lifted his credentials to 10-1 with three kayoes, the quick artillery came from the fists of junior welterweight John Montes and cruiserweight Henry Tillman.

Montez, out of Whittier, Calif. to replace virus-stricken Cubanito Perez, hardly broke a sweat, TKOing Ford Jennings of Fort Worth, Texas, at 37 seconds of the first round in a scheduled 10.

Tillman, the gold medal Olympian from Los Angeles, rained right hand bombs on Philadelphia's Oscar Holman to complete a TKO win at 2:36 of the sixth round, four heats short of the slated distance.

Perhaps the biggest surprise in the Minsker-Cordova struggle was the split verdict. Patricia Jarman tabbed it 96-94 for the 23-year-old whirlwind from Albuquerque, N.M., while Dave Moretti and Chuck Giampa backed Minsker with respective tabs of 98-93 and 97-94. *The Ring* had it 98-93 for the winner.

Minsker, 130½, had little trouble reaching the smaller Cordova when he stayed outside and jabbed, but whenever the latter leaped to get inside, Andy's combinations often misfired. This time, the puffy-faced Cordova, 130¼, sometimes took three punches to misfire with one. There were no knockdowns, but Cordova was wobbled several times in the middle rounds as his record skidded to 20-6-3 with eight kayoes.

Jimmy Montoya, who has replaced Jack Luce as Cordova's manager, offered no excuses: "I have no quarrel with the decision because Tommy had to get inside Minsker to win, and he had a hard time doing that."

Montes, 138¾, improving his log to 31-4 with 24 kayoes, wasted little time with Jennings, 140, who made one of the shortest Vegas debuts within memory. After dropping the Texan with a left hook, Montes ended it with a combination and left hook, prompting referee Richard Steele to abbreviate the action. Never down before as a pro, Jennings' slate is now 15-4-2 with six kayoes.

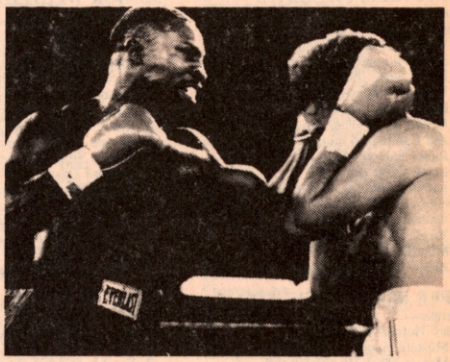
Tillman, 192½, improved his record to 12-1 with nine kayoes as he kept Holman, 198½, on the defensive. Henry backed up his man with accurate jabs and then used chopping rights to the head that sent Holman reeling in the fourth and fifth rounds.

In the sixth round, Tillman hammered Holman to the canvas with six straight rights. The rugged Philly import rose in time to catch a left and three more rights before referee Davey Pearl called it off. Holman's reading is now 9-8-1 with four knockouts.

In a battle of kayoes, junior welterweight southpaws, Cassius Clay Horne, 141½, moved his record to 14-2 with 13 kayoes when he won a five-round decision over Los Angeles' Rosenberg Rojas, 140, Los Angeles. The latter fell to 13-6 with four kayoes.

Allan Lowry, 126½, Las Vegas, made his pro debut with a four-round decision over Carlos Perez, 124½, Los Angeles.

Freddie Sikes, 153, Phoenix, Ariz., TKO'd Yon Bakalas, 152½, Las Vegas, at 1:00 of the second round in their scheduled four-rounder. Sikes is now 3-0.
(09-24-86)



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Bert Cooper (left) retained the NABF cruiserweight title with a three-round knockout over Spencer Chavis in Las Vegas.

▶**LAS VEGAS—Showboat**—Smokin' Joe Frazier had a harder time winning at blackjack the night before than his fistic protege, Bert Cooper, did enhancing his position as the World Boxing Association's number one cruiserweight contender during their latest visit to Las Vegas.

Cooper's three-round demolition of Detroit's Spencer Chavis not only kept his North American Boxing Federation cruiser crown intact at the Showboat Hotel-Casino, but made Top Rank promoter Bob Arum think seriously about the 20-year-old Philadelphian's next assignment.

"Cooper is now in line for Evander Holyfield's first mandatory defense since he won the WBA title from Dwight Qawi last summer," Arum said. "But it probably won't come until next spring, Meanwhile, Bert can keep busy defending his own championship."

While Frazier and his charge aren't trying to rush the issue, neither are they going to sit back and twiddle their thumbs.

"We'red going back to the gym," the former world heavyweight champion informed. "Bert has another date at Atlantic City, but we're not sure who the opponent is. It really doesn't make any difference, because this Vegas trip was hardly little more than a workout.

"As long as the promoters and fans keep filling up the seats, it's our job to keep beating them (opponents) up. Cooper hits almost as hard as I did . . . almost, not quite. But he punches hard with either hand. And when Bert takes it on the chin, he just smiles."

Cooper rarely caught a solid shot from Chavis, 21, who was four inches taller at 6'3", despite being wide open from throwing erratic hooks in the opening frame of the scheduled 12-rounder.

UNITED STATES RATINGS
BY THE UNITED STATES BOXING ASSOCIATION
(As of October 2, 1986)

HEAVYWEIGHTS
Champion
Tony Tucker (Michigan)
1. Tony Tubbs (Ohio)
2. James Smith (North Carolina)
3. Carl Williams (New York)
4. James Douglas (Ohio)
5. James Broad (New Jersey)
6. Mike Tyson (New York)
7. Gerry Cooney (New York)
8. Tyrell Biggs (Pennsylvania)
9. Renaldo Snipes (New York)
10. Elijah Tillery (New York)
11. Larry Alexander (New York)
12. Michael Dokes (Ohio)
13. Marvis Frazier (Pennsylvania)
14. Mike Evans (Illinois)
15. Rodney Frazier (Pennsylvania)

CRUISERWEIGHTS
Champion
Boone Pultz (Virginia)
1. Ricky Parkey (New Jersey)
2. Bernard Benton (Michigan)
3. Dwight M. Qawi (New Jersey)
4. Bert Cooper (Pennsylvania)
5. Dorcey Gaymon (Florida)
6. Alfonzo Ratliff (Illinois)
7. Henry Tillman (California)
8. Bashiru Ali (California)
9. Anthony Witherspoon (Pa.)
10. Osvaldo Ocasio (Puerto Rico)
11. Spencer Chavis (Michigan)
12. Anthony Davis (Nevada)
13. Michael Greer (Tennessee)
14. Carlos Hernandez (New York)
15. Tyrone Booze (Connecticut)

LIGHT HEAVYWEIGHTS
Champion
Charles Williams (Ohio)
1. Willie Edwards (Michigan)
2. J.B. Williamson (California)
3. David Sears (New York)
4. Mustafa Muhammad (New York)
5. Eddie Davis (New York)
6. Kelvin Kelly (Pennsylvania)
7. Jeff Lampkin (Ohio)
8. James Salerno (Florida)
9. Uriah Grant (Florida)
10. Arthel Lawhorne (Michigan)
11. Grady Smith (Florida)
12. Anthony Willis (Illinois)
13. Virgil Hill (North Dakota)
14. Mike Costello (New York)
15. Junior Edmund (New Jersey)

SUPER MIDDLEWEIGHTS
Champion
Lindell Holmes (Ohio)
1. Mustafa Hamsho (New Jersey)
2. Marvin Mack (Pennsylvania)
3. Vinnie Curto (Florida)
4. Chuck Walker (Texas)
5. Everett Martin (Texas)
6. Nicky Walker (Nevada)
7. Jay Strickland (Texas)
8. Vincent Boulware (Texas)
9. Sanderline Williams (Ohio)
10. Sean Mannion (Massachusetts)
11. Chris Reid (New Jersey)
12. Jorge Amparo (New Jersey)
13. Steve Darnell (Michigan)
14. Dale Jackson (Illinois)
15. Richard Burton (New York)

MIDDLEWEIGHTS
Champion
Robbie Sims (Massachusetts)
1. Thomas Hearns (Michigan)
2. James Kinchen (California)
3. Iran Barkley (New York)
4. Michael Nunn (California)
5. Kevin Watts (New Jersey)
6. Don Lee (Indiana)
7. Troy Darrell (New York)
8. Frank Tate (Texas)
9. Tony Thornton (New Jersey)
10. Doug DeWitt (New York)
11. Alex Ramos (California)
12. John Collins (Illinois)
13. Mark McPherson (New York)
14. Kenny Snow (Texas)
15. Curtis Parker (Pennsylvania)

JUNIOR MIDDLEWEIGHTS
Champion
Duane Thomas (Michigan)
1. Carlos Santos (Puerto Rico)
2. Donald Curry (Puerto Rico)
3. Davey Moore (New York)
4. Milton McCrory (Michigan)
5. Lupe Aquino (California)
6. Mark Medal (New York)
7. John David Jackson (Pennsylvania)
8. Steve Little (Pennsylvania)
9. Matthew Farrago (New York)
10. Tony Montgomery (Michigan)
11. Kenny Styles (New York)
12. Mardo Roybal (California)
13. Tony Ojo (Virginia)
14. Mauricio Rodriguez (Florida)
15. Fred Hutchings (U.S.)

WELTERWEIGHTS
Champion
Johnny Bumphus (New Jersey)
1. Marlon Starling (Conn.)
2. Tommy Ayers (Ohio)
3. Maurice Blocker (D.C.)
4. Simon Brown (D.C.)
5. Mark Breland (New York)
6. Tyrone Trice (Michigan)
7. Horace Shufford (Nevada)
8. Roman George (Louisiana)
9. Allen Braswell (New York)
10. Danny Garcia (Puerto Rico)
11. Luis Santana (California)
12. Manning Galloway (Ohio)
13. Felipe Canela (California)
14. Vincent Pettway (Maryland)
15. Curtis Summit (Illinois)

JUNIOR WELTERWEIGHTS
Champion
Frankie Warren (Texas)
1. Joe Louis Manley (New Jersey)
2. John Wesley Meekins (New York)
3. James (Buddy) McGirt (New York)
4. Brian Baronet (Pennsylvania)
5. Andy Nance (California)
6. Ricky Young (New York)
7. Ronnie Shields (Texas)
8. Lonnie Smith (Colorado)
9. Howard Davis, Jr. (New York)
10. Harold Brazier (Indiana)
11. Gene Hatcher (Texas)
12. Cassius Clay Horn (Arizona)
13. Joey Ruiz (Illinois)
14. Othal Dixon (Texas)
15. Alvin Hayes (Michigan)

LIGHTWEIGHTS
Champion
Terrence Alli (New York)
1. Juan Nazario (Puerto Rico)
2. Frankie Randall (Tennessee)
3. Fred Pendleton (Florida)
4. Darryl Tyson (D.C.)
5. Livingstone Bramble (N.J.)
6. Vincent Pazienza (Rhode Island)
7. Meldrick Taylor (Pennsylvania)
8. Pernell Whitaker (Virginia)
9. Irleis (Cubanito) Perez (Calif.)
10. Miguel Santana (Puerto Rico)
11. Greg Haugen (Washington)
12. Walter Sims (California)
13. Angel Hernandez (Puerto Rico)
14. Vernon (Yogi) Buchanan (Mo.)
15. Sammy Fuentes (Puerto Rico)

JUNIOR LIGHTWEIGHTS
Champion
Kenny Baysmore (D.C.)
1. Johnny de la Rosa (Michigan)
2. Rocky Lockridge (New Jersey)
3. Juan LaPorte (New York)
4. Mark Fernandez (Colorado)
5. Jackie Beard (Tennessee)
6. Donald Caples (Texas)
7. Dwight Pratchett (Indiana)
8. Anthony English (New Jersey)
9. Bernard Gray (Florida)
10. John Duplessis (Louisiana)
11. Raphe Sims (Texas)
12. Tony Lopez (California)
13. Vincent Costello (New York)
14. Luis Rivera (Pennsylvania)
15. Sal Cenicola (New Jersey)

FEATHERWEIGHTS
Champion
Calvin Grove (Pennsylvania)
1. Richard Savage (Louisiana)
2. Bernard Taylor (Tennessee)
3. Lupe Suarez (Texas)
4. Irving Mitchell (California)
5. Billy White (Louisiana)
6. Tyrone Jackson (New York)
7. Refugio Rojas (California)
8. George Navarro (New Jersey)
9. Paulie Ayala (Texas)
10. Joe Ruelas (California)
11. Paul DeVorce (New York)
12. Hector Lopez (California)
13. Robert Rivera (Puerto Rico)
14. Pete Anzaldua (Arizona)
15. Pasqual Aranda (Texas)

JUNIOR FEATHERWEIGHTS
Champion
Greg Richardson (Ohio)
1. Louie Espinoza (Arizona)
2. Jesse Benavides (Texas)
3. Diego Rosario (New Jersey)
4. Mike Ayala (Texas)
5. Jaime Garza (California)
6. Juan (Kid) Meza (California)
7. George Garcia (California)
8. James Manning (Oregon)
9. Aaron Lopez (Texas)
10. Harold Petty (Texas)
11. James Pipps (Texas)
12. Juan Veloz (New York)
13. Johnny Carter (Pennsylvania)
14. Julian Solis (Puerto Rico)
15. Robert Shannon (Washington)

BANTAMWEIGHTS
Champion
Hurley Snead (Michigan)
1. Sugar Baby Rojas (Florida)
2. Kelvin Seabrooks (North Carolina)
3. Jorge Diaz (California)
4. Jesus Salud (Hawaii)
5. Steve McCrory (Michigan)
6. Frankie Duarte (California)
7. Albert Davila (California)
8. Gaby Canizales (Texas)
9. Luis Curtis (D.C.)
10. Darrell Thigpen (California)
11. Wilfred Vasquez (Puerto Rico)
12. Sam David (New Jersey)
13. Jerome Coffee (Tennessee)
14. Jimmy Navarro (Florida)
15. David Gauvin (Massachusetts)

FLYWEIGHTS
Champion
Henry Brent (New York)
1. Ramon Medel (Texas)
2. Paul Gonzales (California)
3. William Ramos Puerto Rico)
4. Rafael Caban (Puerto Rico)
5. Jose DeJesus (Puerto Rico)
6. Lucio Nolasco (California)
7. Mario Savala (California)
8. Kenny Mitchell (New York)
9. Alonzo (Strongbow) Gonzalez (California)
10. Felix Marquez (Connecticut)
11. Orlando Maldonado (Puerto Rico)
12. Miguel Mercedes (California)
13. Orlando Canizales (Texas)
14. Felix Castillo (Texas)
15. Pedro Feliciano (Puerto Rico)

"I was a little excited in the first round," Cooper admitted after improving his record to 13-1 with 10 kayoes. "I was expecting him to jab more. I thought Chavis would be slick, but he wasn't. I wanted to work on my power . . . to take a little distance and cruise, but I decided to take care of business right away. It feels good to get a kayo, but it was hardly a workout."

Cooper, 194¾, caught Chavis, 192, off balance with the first right he threw in the first round, knocking the transplanted North Carolina boxer flat on his back. Chavis, who came here with an 18-1 (10 kayoes) record, survived the round with only a bloody nose.

Continually backing up, Chavis threw a couple of combinations before Cooper rocked him again in the second. Bert locked it up at 1:03 of the third round, hurting his man with two left hooks and then finishing Chavis with two overhand rights. Referee Carlos Padilla counted out the challenger as he laid on his left side.

"I always train my fighters to take the other guy out as quickly as possible," Frazier said. "Rather than chase his man around the ring, I wanted Bert to cut the ring off on him. After the first round, he corrected that and got the job done."

Lupe Aquino, 151¾, West Covina, Calif., had too many guns for game but outclassed Nathan Dryer, 150½, Phoenix, Ariz., scoring a TKO at 1:48 of the fifth in a scheduled 10-rounder.

Aquino, improving his log to 27-2-1 with 19 kayoes, caught Dryer in a neutral corner early in the first round, hurt him with a combination, and then drove him along the ropes with an unanswered 20-punch barrage before the Arizonian dropped to his knees.

Dryer, now 9-2 with five kayoes, survived the round, but never recovered. Aquino finally finished it in the fifth, dropping Dryer twice before Padilla called it off.

In the best action fight of the night, Las Vegas' Joey Roach, 119, scored a unanimous eight-round decision over tough Carlos Conchola, 118½, Santa Maria, Calif. Roach raised his laurels to 10-1-3 with three kayoes while his victim dipped to 9-6-3.

Courtney Hooper, 141¼, Detroit, hit Aurelio Martinez, 142¾, Las Vegas, with seven straight right hands to score a TKO victory at 2:13 of the first round in a scheduled six. Hooper's reading rose to 10-1 with six kayoes. Martinez skidded to 8-7-1.

Ed Duffy, 169½, Las Vegas, rebounded from a second round knockdown to kayo eccentric Jorge Moreno, 173¾, National City, Calif., in 2:05 of the third round. Duffy is now 3-0, all kayoes, Moreno is 1-2.

Speedy Marcellus Allen, 176, Las Vegas, made his pro debut with a four-round unanimous decision over Richard Dewberry, 175½, Los Angeles, who slipped to 1-2.

▶LAS VEGAS—Sahara—Henry Tillman had too many weapons for Tyrone Booze in moving closer to a title shot at World Boxing Council cruiserweight champion Carlos (Sugar) DeLeon, but it wasn't as pretty as he would have liked.

The latest score by Tillman, ranked number eight by the WBC and the World Boxing Association, is best described by that old western movie line, "A man's gotta do, what a man's got to do."

Tillman, 26, the 1984 Olympic heavyweight gold medalist from Los Angeles, pitched a near shutout in winning Top Rank's 10-round main event at the Sahara Hotel-Casino, but his punching rhythm was repeatedly broken by the crowding and holding of the unorthodox Booze from Hartford, Conn.

Three inches taller at 6'3", Tillman, 192, was at his best moving at long range behind a snapping left jab. He also used the jab to set up chopping rights which rocked Booze, 193¾, in the second, seventh, and 10th rounds.

Only when he elected to duel Booze on the inside did the world-ranked cruiser catch one of the enemy's infrequent arching hooks on the top of the head.

Improving his credentials to 13-1, Tillman, 26, was not disturbed he failed to register his 10th knockout.

"I thought Booze would be more aggressive, like he was in losing to Bert Cooper in a close fight. But he kept covering up with that peek-a-boo possum stuff," Tillman laughed. "People forget I was a boxer first, not a big puncher. Ever since I won the Olympic medal, I guess they expect me to knock out everybody I fight.

"I think my defense is improving. Instead of bending over to escape punches, I'm bending with my knees where I can see them coming. I know I hurt Booze several times. But he was tough, I didn't want to burn myself out. (Trainer) Merceier Smith told me to go inside if I could score. If not, to spin out of there."

Booze, 27, whose record dipped to 11-6-2 with one knockout, made no excuses other than to admit, "I just couldn't get off the way I wanted to."

Smith, himself a featherweight who fought in Las Vegas in the sixties, had a better analysis.

"Henry was fine when he kept his distance because when Booze learned he couldn't box Tillman like he did Cooper, he became frustrated. He became discouraged trying to get inside and started leaping with his punches. Being short, I know what that's like," the trainer said.

"I wanted Tillman to throw punches and then get out, but it's hard to stay outside and box 10 rounds for a young fighter still learning. So I told him if you do go inside, you might as well throw a lot of punches. He looked as strong in the 10th as in the first round. Henry's improving with every win."

Don Zuckerman, New York attorney who manages Tillman, confirmed that promoter Bob Arum is trying to lock up a title fight with DeLeon "sometime in February."

"Don King claims DeLeon owes him one more fight, and that might be a snag. However, DeLeon says it's not true," Zuckerman explained. "Anyway, we'll keep Henry busy . . . probably two more fights before February rolls around."

Topping the card for bell-to-bell action was Phoenix's Ricky Lehman, snapping previously undefeated Joe Belinc's 14-fight string with a unanimous eight-round decision in a junior welterweight war.

Lehman, 141, had Belinc, 140, holding on in the first round with a torrid body attack before the popular Marysville, Wash., fighter showed he was more than flash and dash.

Belinc rallied strongly in the fourth round, but Lehman dropped him in the fifth with a combination to the head. The Arizona

aggressor then swept away the remaining rounds to improve his log to 14-5 with nine kayoes.

Mike Williams, 222½, Conroe, Texas, made it eight straight as a pro when he stopped Tommy Taylor, 200½, Phoenix, at 1:28 of the fifth round in a scheduled sixer. Totally outgunned, Taylor was still on his feet when referee Richard Steele halted the mismatch. The loser's record is now 2-1 with one kayo.

Las Vegas cruiserweight Danny Lindstrom, 179, survived a first round knockdown, returned the honor in the third, and went on to a unanimous six-round decision over Shawn Ayers, 178, Carson City, Nev.

Lindstrom, who was dropped by a right in the opening minute, matched it by stretching Ayers with a left hook. He also survived a cut right eye in the late rounds for a 7-1-1 (five kayoes) reading. Ayers is now 13-3-1 with four knockouts.

Bill Wright, 229¾, Salt Lake City, Utah, won his second start with a four-round decision over David Brooks, 202, Phoenix.

Jose Hernandez, 136, Los Angeles, closed the show with a TKO over Brett Livingston, 135½, Las Vegas at 1:55 of the first round.

(10-17-86)

JACK WELSH

NEW JERSEY

▶ATLANTIC CITY—Tropicana Hotel Casino—Popular local prospect Kevin (Kilo) Watts, 161, Pleasantville, dropped a split decision to rugged trialhorse Jorge Amparo, 162, New York, in a taut 10. The loss should prove more instructive than destructive. The bout was a chess match, in which no one managed a checkmate, but Amparo executed more moves. The rounds were hard to call, with the youngster concentrating on big flurries but the veteran definitely controlling the flow. Amparo moved Watts around the ring, keeping him off balance and too busy trying to smother an incessant rain of short punches to launch many of his own. Though close the overall tone of the fight had to go to Amparo. All three judges scored 7-3, but Eugene Grant saw it for Watts, while Joe Pasquale and Frank Cairo had Amparo. Yet the scoring wasn't all that out of line. It was that kind of fight, the rounds almost all the same, with Watts' flurries against Amparo's pressure. It was all in which fight one was seeing. "I'm not letting this fight discourage me," the loser said. "I'm going to pick myself up and go back to the drawing board." Tony Orlando refereed.

Spoiler Rodney Fennell, 131, Washington, D.C., upset returning prospect Pedro (El Bambino, The Beastmaster) Garcia, 133, New York, via unanimous decision, eight. Rodney "fought scared" against the puncher, but once he realized he could stand up to Garcia in exchanges, he gained confidence and outgunned the favorite. Tony Orlando, referee.

Tim Burgess, 133, Brooklyn, abandoned his usual hustling style, but still managed to outpoint a posing Bryant Paden, 135, Philadelphia, via a unanimous verdict, six. Frank Cappuccino, referee.

James Barham, 167½, Philadelphia, scored a repeat win over Bob Wasielewski, 166½, Bayonne, by a close majority decision in another savagely fought six. Barham was dropped by a textbook right in the first, but came back to outgun "Waz" through the middle rounds, having him in trouble in the third. Frank Cappuccino, referee.

Randall Yonker, 167, Mobile, Ala., via Bethpage, N.Y., threw one howitzer of a right to blast Tony Williams, 168½, Atlantic City, into oblivion at 2:02 of the second round in a scheduled four. Brawler Williams must have been aware of Randall's reputer power, because he turned boxer. But he circled so predictably, Yonker was able to time him perfectly for the bomb. Tony Orlando, referee.

Promoters—HBA East, Madison Square Garden Boxing, John Nittolo Productions.

Matchmaker—Ron Katz, Bobby Goodman.

Attendance—1,200 (estimated).

Timekeeper—Art Spell.

Ring Announcer—Ed Derian.

(10-02-86)

▶ATLANTIC CITY—Harrah's Marina Hotel & Casino—Rocky Lockridge, 131¾, Mt. Laurel, N.J., drummed out a unanimous win over Felipe Orozco, 131, Barranquilla, Colombia, in a dreary 10. With opponents like this to "tune up" on, it's no wonder Rocky falls flat when called to greatness. He was content to plod monotonously forward, showing about as much fire as an unpaid sparring partner. The stringbean southpaw Orozco backpedalled and poked a few counters, but his prime concern was personal safety. Yet when it was over, many thought the visitor deserved to win, probably more out of disappointment with Rocky than anything else, and booed the verdict. Milo Savage voted 9-0-1, Thomas Kaczmarek 9-1, and William Kostrub 6-3-1. The winner managed to make something positive of his uninspired performance. "The guy just didn't want to fight, and you can lose your cool, get caught with shots," Lockridge explained. "I'm happy that I maintained the fight plan, and that I was fresh at the end." Well, that's one way of looking at it! Rudy Battle refereed.

Floyd Favors, 133, Capitol Heights, Md. hammered durable Joby Revilla, 131, Alice, Texas, to win a unanimous verdict in a lively, if one-sided, eight. Floyd could have spared Rocky some imagination, as he tattooed Joby with an assortment of punches, dropping him with a left hook to the body in the sixth but being unable to stop the Texan. Rudy Battle, referee.

Steve Darnell, 161, Livonia, Mich., via Detroit, disposed of a surprisingly cooperative Ray Daniels, 166, Philadelphia, who was dropped twice for a TKO at 2:45 of the second round in their scheduled eight. Joe O'Neil, referee.

In a bristling battle of southpaws, John Collins, 130½, Jackson, Tenn., via Fayetteville, was gifted with a draw against Gil Maldonado, 132, Aguadilla, P.R., via Bronx, six. Collins put up a gritty effort, but didn't quite deserve a draw. Milo scored 3-2-1, Maldonado, Kaczmarek 3-3, and Kostrub an off-line 4-2, Collins. Joe O'Neil, referee.

Rick Dabney, 161, Pleasantville, was too much for Tony Pitts, 164, Sicklerville, N.J., who was dropped, took a standing eight,

NORTH AMERICAN RATINGS BY THE NORTH AMERICAN BOXING FEDERATION (As of October 11, 1986)

HEAVYWEIGHTS
Championship
Vacant
1. Mike Tyson (New York)
2. Pinklon Thomas (Pennsylvania)
3. James Smith (North Carolina)
4. Larry Holmes (Pennsylvania)
5. Gerry Cooney (New York)
6. Tyrell Biggs (Pennsylvania)
7. James (Buster) Douglas (Ohio)
8. Tony Tubbs (Ohio)
9. Larry Alexander (Tennessee)
10. Mitchell Green (New York)
11. Willie de Wit (Alberta)
12. Razor Ruddock (Ontario)
13. Marvis Frazier (Pennsylvania)
14. Jose Ribalta (Florida)
15. James Broad (New Jersey)

CRUISERWEIGHTS
Champion
Bert Cooper (Pennsylvania)
1. Dwight Muhammad Qawi (N.J.)
2. Henry Tillman (California)
3. Tyrone Booze (Connecticut)
4. Ricky Parkey (New York)
5. Bashiru Ali (California)
6. Michael Greer (Tennessee)
7. Bernard Benton (Ohio)
8. Alfonzo Ratliff (Illinois)
9. Dorcey Gaymon (Florida)
10. Cedric Parsons (Canada)
11. Henry Milligan (Delaware)
12. Spencer Chavis (Michigan)
13. Michael Arms (Alaska)
14. Elijah Tillery (New York)
15. Curtis Isaac (Michigan)

LIGHT HEAVYWEIGHTS
Champion
Willie Edwards (Michigan)
1. Don LaLonde (Manitoba)
2. Eddie Davis (New York)
3. J.B. Williamson (California)
4. Mustafa Muhammad (New Jersey)
5. David Sears (New York)
6. Kelvin Kelly (Pennsylvania)
7. Jeff Lampkin (Ohio)
8. Leslie Stewart (Florida)
9. Virgil Hill (North Dakota)
10. Mike Costello (Connecticut)
11. Chuck Walker (Texas)
12. Chris Reid (New Jersey)
13. Prince Mamah Mohammed (Calif.)
14. Edward (Grady) Smith (Fla.)
15. Everett Martin (Texas)

MIDDLEWEIGHTS
Champion
Thomas Hearns (Michigan)
1. Michael Olajide (B.C.)
2. Donald Lee (Indiana)
3. Lindell Holmes (Michigan)
4. Iran Barkley (New York)
5. Michael Nunn (California)
6. James Kinchen (California)
7. Frank Tate (Michigan)
8. Mustafa Hamsho (New Jersey)
9. Doug DeWitt (New York)
10. Kevin Watts (New Jersey)
11. Matt Farrago (New York)
12. Mark McPherson (New York)
13. Tony Montgomery (Michigan)
14. Tony Thornton (New Jersey)
15. Curtis Parker (Pennsylvania)

SUPER WELTERWEIGHTS
Championship
Vacant
1. Matthew Hilton (Quebec)
2. Milton McCrory (Michigan)
3. Donald Curry (Texas)
4. David Braxton (Michigan)
5. John Mugabi (Florida)
6. Sean Mannion (Massachusetts)
7. Mardo Roybal (California)
8. Kenny Snow (Texas)
9. Troy Darrell (New York)
10. Davey Moore (New York)
11. Mauricio Rodriguez (Florida)
12. Mark Medal (New York)
13. Jack Callahan (Indiana)
14. Kevin Moley (New York)
15. John David Jackson (Pa.)

WELTERWEIGHTS
Championship
Vacant
1. Tommy Ayers (Ohio)
2. Tyrone Trice (Michigan)
3. Simon Brown (D.C.)
4. Mark Breland (New York)
5. Luis Santana (California)
6. Marlon Starling (Connecticut)
7. Allen Braswell (New York)
8. Darryl Anthony (Missouri)
9. Manning Galloway (Ohio)
10. Maurice Blocker (D.C.)
11. Hugh Kearney (Pennsylvania)
12. Rigoberto Lopez (California)
13. Horace Shufford (Nevada)
14. Shawn O'Sullivan (Ontario)
15. Darren Van Horn (Louisiana)

SUPER LIGHTWEIGHTS
Championship
Vacant
1. James (Buddy) McGirt (New York)
2. Joe Louis Manley (New Jersey)
3. Rodolfo (Gato) Gonzalez (Mexico)
4. Rene Arredondo (Mexico)
5. John Meekins (New York)
6. Harold Brazier (Indiana)
7. Brian Baronet (Pennsylvania)
8. Gene Hatcher (Texas)
9. Ronnie Shields (Texas)
10. Andy Nance (California)
11. Lonnie Smith (Colorado)
12. Vinnie Pazienza (Rhode Island)
13. Cassius Clay Horn (Arizona)
14. Ricky Young (New York)
15. Joey Ruiz (Illinois)

LIGHTWEIGHTS
Champion
Greg Haugen (Washington)
1. Cornelius Boza-Edwards (Nevada)
2. Meldrick Taylor (Pennsylvania)
3. Jose Luis Ramirez (Mexico)
4. Livingstone Bramble (New York)
5. Darryl Tyson (D.C.)
6. Irleis (Cubanito) Perez (Calif.)
7. Roger Mayweather (Nevada)
8. Fred Pendleton (Florida)
9. Pernell Whitaker (Virginia)
10. Frankie Randall (Tennessee)
11. Felix Gonzales (California)
12. Mauricio Aceves (Mexico)
13. Tyrone Crawley (Pennsylvania)
14. Sergio Zambrano (Mexico)
15. Alvin Hayes (Michigan)

SUPER FEATHERWEIGHTS
Champion
Dwight Pratchett (Indiana)
1. Johnny de la Rosa (Florida)
2. Rocky Lockridge (New Jersey)
3. Keith Stevenson (Florida)
4. Mario Martinez (Mexico)
5. Juan LaPorte (New York)
6. Donald Caples (Texas)
7. Anthony English (Pennsylvania)
8. Oscar Bejines (Mexico)
9. Vinnie Costello (New York)
10. Pasqual Aranda (Texas)
11. Raphe Sims (Texas)
12. Jackie Beard (Michigan)
13. Refugio Rojas (Mexico)
14. Vernon (Yogi) Buchanan (Mo.)
15. Mark Fernandez (Colorado)

FEATHERWEIGHTS
Champion
Bernard Taylor (Tennessee)
1. Marcos Villasana (Mexico)
2. Baby Joe Ruelas (California)
3. Richard Savage (Louisiana)
4. Irving Mitchell (California)
5. George Navarro (New Jersey)
6. Javier Marquez (Mexico)
7. Tyrone Jackson (New York)
8. Lupe Suarez (Texas)
9. Hector Lopez (California)
10. Roger Arevalo (Mexico)
11. Lenny Valdez (Mexico)
12. Bruno Rabanales (Mexico)
13. Antonio de la Paz (Mexico)
14. Pete Anzaldua (Arizona)
15. Mauro Gutierrez (Mexico)

SUPER BANTAMWEIGHTS
Champion
Mike Ayala (Texas)
1. Louie Espinoza (Arizona)
2. Jaime Garza (California)
3. Juan (Kid) Meza (California)
4. Harold Petty (Texas)
5. Aaron Lopez (Texas)
6. Jesse Benavides (Texas)
7. Ramon Rico (California)
8. Daniel Zaragoza (Mexico)
9. Johnny Carter (Pennsylvania)
10. Alfredo Rangel (Texas)
11. Juan Veloz (New York)
12. Gilbert Contreras (Texas)
13. Ramon Jimenez (Mexico)
14. Tony Montoya (Utah)
15. Alvaro Ramos (Arizona)

BANTAMWEIGHTS
Champion
Frankie Duarte (California)
1. Kelvin Seabrook (North Carolina)
2. Albert Davila (California)
3. James Pipps (Texas)
4. Gaby Canizales (Texas)
5. Jesus Salud (Hawaii)
6. Antonio Avelar (Mexico)
7. Jorge Ramirez (Mexico)
8. Steve McCrory (Michigan)
9. George Garcia (California)
10. Candelario Carmona (Mexico)
11. Raul Perez (Mexico)
12. Fernando Beltran (Mexico)
13. Mike Moreno (California)
14. Eddie Rangel (Texas)
15. Mauro Gutierrez (Mexico)

FLYWEIGHTS
Champion
Paul Gonzales (California)
1. Gabriel Bernal (Mexico)
2. Javier Lucas (Mexico)
3. Juan Herrera (Mexico)
4. Freddie Castillo (Mexico)
5. Jimmy Fernandez (Mexico)
6. Mike Phelps (Texas)
7. Ray Medel (Texas)
8. Marco Antonio Benitez (Mexico)
9. Arturo Mujica (Mexico)
10. Rodolfo Alvarado (Mexico)
11. Armando Velasco (Mexico)
12. Artemio Ruiz (Mexico)
13. Tony Escobar (Mexico)
14. Orlando Canizales (Texas)
15. Alonzo (Strongbow) Gonzalez (Calif.)

LIGHT FLYWEIGHTS
Championship
Vacant
1. Isidro Perez (Mexico)
2. Jorge Cano (Mexico)
3. Santiago Mendez (Mexico)
4. Efren Pinto (Mexico)
5. German Torres (Mexico)
6. Francisco Montiel (Mexico)
7. Memo Flores (Mexico)
8. Emilio Santos (Mexico)
9. Javier Alonzo (Mexico)
10. Ruben Padilla (Mexico)
11. Adalberto Martinez (Mexico)
12. Amado Urzua (Mexico)
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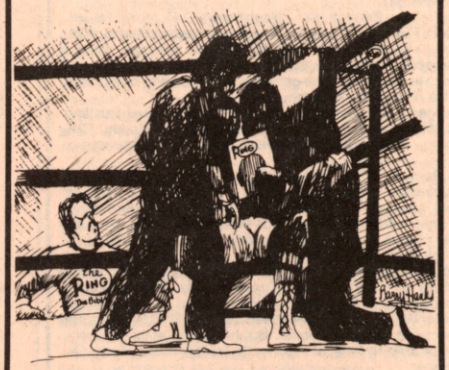

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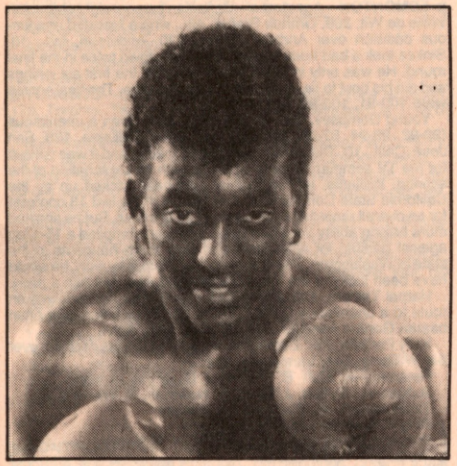
then was floored again, and TKO'd at 1:23 of the first round in a scheduled four. Rudy Battle, referee.
Promoter—Dan Duva (Main Events).
Matchmaker—Johnny Bos.
Attendance—650 (estimated).
Timekeeper—Roosevelt Gilbert.
Ring Announcer—Ed Derian.
(10-22-86)



Canadian middleweight Michael Olajide Jr. looked impressive stopping Ray Ray Gray in Atlantic City, raising his record to 20-0 with 14 knockouts.

▶**ATLANTIC CITY—Resorts Int.**—After some disappointing efforts, Michael Olajide, 160½, Vancouver via New York, returned to the form that first excited fans here and demolished Ray Ray Gray, 159¾, Cleveland, at 1:05 of the 10th and final round. Gray's herky-jerky style might have been expected to throw off the smoother Olajide, but Mike was having none of it. He handled Ray Ray with sharp boxing in a brisk, stylish contest, scoring a knockdown with a picture right in the fourth. Hooks to the body had Gray unraveling late, but the K.O. was unnecessary, an insult added to injury. If this was football, Olajide would have been branded for running up the score. But this is boxing, and one never knows what the score might be. Actually, Mike had a comfortable lead going into the final round, though Ray Ray's determination had made it anything but dull. Olajide removed all doubt, however, when a left hook turned an exhausted Gray's legs to rubber, a hook to the body froze him, and a smashing right vaulted him onto the apron, and possibly out of a career. Ref Joe Cortez didn't bother to count.

The undercard bouts were crowd-pleasers, despite all being shutouts. Tony Martin, 141½, Philadelphia, gave a *tour-de-force* performance, clobbering stubborn John Rafuse, 143, Malden, Mass., eight. John plodded forward, but just couldn't match Tony's hands and movement. Ted Pick, referee.

Vinnie Burgese, 139¾, Philadelphia, dished out a sound thrashing to southpaw Tony Lane, 140½, Youngstown, in a wild shootout, six. Joe Cortez, referee.

William Morris, 171½, Philadelphia, was rocked a couple of times, but outslugged a tiring Don Crudup, 172½, Baltimore, in an untidy four. Ted Pick, referee.

Promoters—HBA East, Madison Square Garden Boxing.
Matchmakers—Ron Katz, Bobby Goodman.
Attendance—900 (estimated).
Judges—Lynne Carter, Frank Brunette, Ron Burns.
Timekeeper—Art Spell.
Ring Announcer—Ed Derian.
(10-23-86)

J.R. JOWETT

NEW YORK

▶**SYRACUSE—War Memorial Auditorium**—Matthew Farrago, 152, Commack, N.Y., and Bobby Joe Young, 150¾, Steubenville, Ohio, drew, 10. Frankie Adams, referee.

Farrago was the agressor and landed good inside body shots when he wasn't tied up. Young, a sharp shooter, scored with jabs and quick combinations. Farrago suffered a gash over the left eye near the end of the seventh as they came out of a clinch. There were no knockdowns, but the crowd was on its feet during the give-and-take final round. Scoring: Don Ackerman, 6-4, Farrago; Jack Milicich, 6-3-1, Young; Tony DeSalvo, 5-5. Farrago is now 19-0-1. Young is 29-6.

Lou Vallar, 211, Syracuse, won a unanimous decision over Tim Eaton, 198, New York, 10. Vallar, in his first 10-round bout, paced himself well as he kept the New Yorker off with good lefts while slipping some big punches. Scoring: Ackerman, 8-2; Milicich, 7-3; DeSalvo, 8-1-1. Carl Schroeder, referee. Vallar, managed by Johnny DeJohn, is now 15-3-1.

Michael Green, 126, Plainville, N.J., TKO'd Clarence Hudson, 122, Syracuse, at 2:43 of the sixth and final round. Hudson, floored in the first round, was on the receiving end when referee Schroeder halted matters in the sixth. Green looked sharp while Hudson, who was making his first start in almost two years, could not get it together. Green is now 8-1-2. Hudson is 9-4.

Don Johnson, 152, New York, floored Chuck Binaxis, 155½, Syracuse, with one overhand right and floored him again with another one. Two punches, and that was the fight. Referee Adams waved the scheduled four-rounder over at 0:42 of the opening frame. Binaxis is now 1-2.

Eli Braxton, 163½, Cleveland, won a unanimous decision over John Gross, 165¾, Syracuse, four. Gross was down in the first round. Braxton is now 2-0. Gross is 1-1.

Timekeeper—Robert Olsen.
Ring Announcer—Alan Paro.
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(09-16-86)

JIM LEO

▶**NEW YORK CITY—Felt Forum**—Olympic hero Pernell Whitaker, 135½, Norfolk, Va., went to 10-0 (six kayoes) in the pro ranks with a shutout unanimous decision (all three scorecards 10-0) over veteran Rafael Gandarilla, 135, Harlingen, Texas, 10. Luis Rivera refereed; there were no knockdowns. Gandarilla is now 55-17-3 with 38 kayoes.

Chris Reid, 171½, Little Silver, N.J., made another successful Forum appearance by stopping Mexico's Marcos Geraldo, 173, who mysteriously quit in his corner at the end of the fourth round in their scheduled 10. Reid is now 15-0-1 with 14 kayoes. Geraldo, who went the distance with Ray Leonard on May 20, 1979, is 64-21 with 46 knockouts. Johnny Colan, referee.

Dawud Shaw, 173, Philadelphia, TKO'd Nestor Flores, 174, Bronx, New York, at 2:29 of the seventh round in a scheduled eight. Referee Nick Drake stopped the contest after Flores had been decked by a right hand. Shaw is now 13-9 with eight kayoes. Flores is 19-4 with 13 knockouts.

Chris Tiozzo, 164, Paris, France, went to 6-0 (three kayoes) with a TKO over Wesley Reid, 165½, Long Beach, New York, at 1:57 of the fourth round in their scheduled eight. Reid is now 4-7-1 with three knockouts. Carl Schroeder, referee.

Hilario Mercedes, 145½, Bronx, won an upset unanimous decision over previously undefeated Ricky Nelson, 147, Bronx, six. Scoring: Carol Castellano, 6-0; George S. Colon and Ted Wint, both 5-1. Mercedes is now 4-4. Nelson is 4-1 with one kayo. Carl Schroeder, referee.

Tunde Foster, 135½, Brooklyn N.Y., TKO'd Richie Otero, 136½, Brooklyn, at 2:26 of the fifth round in a scheduled six. Foster, a southpaw, is now 7-0 with six kayoes. Otero is 5-5. Nick Drake, referee.

Pedro Nolasco, 131, New York N.Y., won a unanimous decision over Normil Lorick, 129, Brooklyn, four. Scoring: Carol Castellano, 3-0-1; George S. Colon, 3-1; Ted Wint, 4-0. Nolasco is now 3-0. Lorick is 1-1. Nick Drake, referee.

A scheduled four between Kenny Simmons, 173½, Bronx, 1-2-1, and Wendell Everett, 174½, Freehold, N.J., 1-3, was cancelled.

Timekeeper—Cecilio Pedraja.
Ring Announcer—Ed Derian.
Attendance—1,343.
(10-09-86)

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PENNSYLVANIA

▶**PHILADELPHIA—Blue Horizon**—Youngster Anthony (Cobra) Williams, 136½, W. Philadelphia, upset veteran "Choo Choo" Charlie Brown, 139½, N. Philadelphia, by majority decision in a bout made interesting more by what the fighters couldn't do than by what they could, eight. Brown was classier, but couldn't sustain the action, and gave away precious seconds setting up for too-few combinations. Williams was steadier in a forward-gear attack, but lacked imagination, and seemed limited in depth. After a see-saw start, Charlie gained the edge through the middle rounds, cutting Williams' right eye in the fifth. But Cobra was undaunted by adversity, and kept coming to outhustle a puffing Choo Choo in a photo finish. It could have gone either way, with the judges having as much to do with the outcome as the fighters. Joe O'Neil voted 36-36, with Lynne Carter 38-35 and Carol Polis 37-36 for Williams. Tommy Reid, referee.

In a sensational battle, Bob Nicks, 154, W. Philadelphia, won a close, unanimous decision over Lonnie Adams, 154½, W. Philadelphia, six. A stunning knockdown with a right counter in the second, a round Adams was winning, cost Lonnie the fight, as he made a gallant comeback in the later rounds. Rudy Battle, referee.

Two returnees fought a war, with southpaw Martin Brokenbough, 130, W. Philadelphia, mounting enough eye catching flurries to edge a close unanimous decision over more consistent Willie Ford, 127½, S. Philadelphia, four. Rudy Battle, referee.

Fighter-to-watch Anthony (Nightmare) Pearson, 145, Milwaukee via Paterson, demolished hapless Hakki Gumez, 142, Ankara, Turkey, via Blackwood, N.J., at 2:34 of the second in their scheduled four. The K.O. was so spectacular, it made the 11:00 news! Tommy Reid, referee.

In one of the worst decisions ever, Jerry Rash, 208, Elkton, Md., via N. Philadelphia, dished out a blistering body beating to Stan Smith, 219, Wilmington, who, hanging on for dear life by the final round, was awarded a draw, four. O'Neil voted 19-17, Rash; Carter, 18-18, and Polis an incredible 19-18, Smith! Rudy Battle, referee.

Rob Jenkins, 160, N. Philadelphia, outfought Darrell Underwood, 161, N. Philadelphia, for a unanimous win in a withering inside battle, four. Tommy Reid, referee.

Nate Miller, 185, N. Philadelphia, easily TKO'd a disinterested Tony Jackson, 217, N. Philadelphia, who folded twice from rights in 1:30 of the first round in another scheduled four. Rudy Battle, referee.

Debuting Kevin Bernard, 176, Kensington, was eased in with a lollipop billed as "Mike Williams," 199½, N. Philadelphia, who folded and was TKO'd at 0:59 of the first round in the scheduled four. Tommy Reid, referee.

Peltz Boxing Promotions.
Matchmaker—J. Russell Peltz.
Attendance—1023. Gross—$11,000 (est.).
Timekeeper—J.P. Mina.
Announcer—Hank Kropinski.
(09-30-86)

▶**BETHLEHEM—Stabler Arena**—Larry Holmes' promotions continue to be artistic successes, though sadly, not financial ones. Brother Mark Holmes 163½, Easton, Pa., engaged in a disappointing main event when Brian Porreca, 162, Medford, Mass., quit after two routine rounds of a scheduled 10. Brian, who hadn't fought in a year, and seemed only enticed by the payday, claimed an injured ankle. Tony Wolfe, referee.

The undercard more than m ade up for the main go, however. In a local gym rivalry, Art (Breeze) Baylis, 163, Allentown, Pa. stopped "Dig-'Em-Up" Doug Davis, 166, Allentown, at 2:03 of the eighth and final round of a bitterly waged struggled. A vigorously attacking Davis was decked and nearly gone at the end of the first, but came back to take control in a whirlwind attack that had Baylis backing up and ducking. The pace was too much for Doug, however, as he wilted and finally dropped from exhaustion. Referee John Carroll rescued him.

Ron (Stingray) McCarthy, 186, Easton, won a unanimous decision over Willard (Pop) Nance, 189¾, Trenton, N.J., in an entertaining comedy six. Pop was tough early in wild and loose action, but tired late. John Carroll, referee.

In a rematch of an unpopular decision, Clarence Williams, 154, Bethlehem, Pa. reversed the loss and vindicated the boobirds by scoring a unanimous win over Todd Englehart, 156, Lebanon, six. While their first encounter was a stinker, a more confident Williams outboxed the lead-footed slugger in an interesting contest this time. Tony Wolfe refereed.

In the best bout of the evening, prospect Chris Organtini, 132½, Norristown, survived a rocky first round to go right at a game Willie Ford, 129½, S. Philadelphia and outbattle him for a unanimous win, four. The action see-sawed in such crackling exchanges that even referee Wolfe applauded the finish.

Kevin Fasick, 147, Altoona via Philadelphia, launched a nonstop assault behind the left hook to blow out a weight-drained Bobby Hillman, 155, Detroit, at 2:23 of the first round in their scheduled four. Hillman was floored twice for a TKO. John Carroll, referee.

Sports Cor, Inc.
Matchmaker—Gary Hegyi.
Attendance—700. Gross—$8,000 (est.).
Judges—Carol Polis, Adalaide Tyndale, Paul Battle.
Timekeeper—Elise Lashe.
Ring Announcer—Joe McHugh.
(10-24-86)

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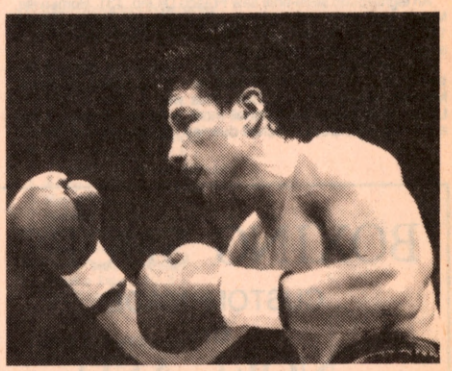

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Vinnie Pazienza earned top spot in the WBA lightweight rankings with a sixth-round TKO over Nelson Bolanos before a banner crowd of over 10,000 fans in Providence.

RHODE ISLAND

▶**PROVIDENCE—Civic Center**—Vinnie Pazienza drew over 10,000 fans to the Providence Civic Center for the third time in 1986, making him the most popular Italian in Rhode Island this side of Frank Sinatra. Sinatra never got a title shot, however, and it is now almost certain the "Pazmanian Devil" will. This time, Pazienza's opponent was Ecuador's Nelson Bolanos, the WBA's second rated contender who came in with a record of 45-0-3 with 35 kayoes. Bolanos had never fought in the United States, however, or anywhere but in South America. The victor of this bout would be considered the mandatory challenger for the WBA lightweight title, and 10,602 people turned out to see if Pazienza could continue his march through the rankings.

It became obvious early on that Bolanos would take his time and try to land big punches. At 5'11" he was four inches taller than Paz, and his awkward, long-armed hooks resembled the style of Eusebio Pedroza. Pazienza, 136, was so much quicker than his foe that Bolanos, also 136, could never get his offense untracked. Pazienza's punches were crisp and he landed them in dozens, using his shifty footwork to avoid trouble. Bolanos looked like a man trying to fight off a swarm of bees. Suffering a long bombardment at the end of round two, Bolanos bought himself a respite by cranking a low blow into Pazienza's cup.

Pazienza's onslaught opened a cut outside Bolanos' left eye in the third frame, and he punished the 29-year-old South American for the whole three minutes, earning a 10-8 nod on most scorecards. Pazienza took it easy in round four, content to dance circles around Bolanos and use a flicking left jab to keep his adversary at Bay. Pazienza, probably a bit arm-weary, took a break again in the fifth, and, while Bolanos landed a few blows, the overall lack of action made it an even round.

Pazienza went back to the all-out attack in the sixth round. A thunderous uppercut stunned Bolanos after a minute, and as Pazienza charged in with a further flurry, Bolanos' left eyebrow

CANADIAN RATINGS
BY THE CANADIAN PROFESSIONAL BOXING FEDERATION
(As of October 23, 1986)

HEAVYWEIGHTS
Champion
Willie de Wit (Grand Prairie)
1. Donovan Ruddock (Toronto)
2. Young Dempsey (Vancouver)
3. Ken Lakusta (Edmonton)
4. Alex Williamson (Reeces Corner)
5. Cedric Parsons (Lower Sackville)
6. Conroy Nelson (Ottawa)

LIGHT HEAVYWEIGHTS
Champion
Willie Featherstone (Toronto)
1. Danny Lindstrom (Ft. McMurray)
2. Don LaLonde (Winnipeg)
3. Tony Morrison (Toronto)
4. Roddy MacDonald (New Waterford)
5. Andy Formagie (Montreal)
6. Eddie Melo (Toronto)

MIDDLEWEIGHTS
Champion
Michael Olajide, Jr. (Vancouver)
1. Muhammad Eltassi (Winnipeg)
2. Matthew Hilton (Montreal)
3. Sadik Sulemana (Toronto)
4. Donovan Boucher (Toronto)
5. Gerry Meekison (Dartmouth)
6. Terry Francis (Toronto)
7. Deano Clavet (LaSalle)
8. Danny Vandal (Winnipeg)
9. Sam Bonnadonna (Windsor)
10. Albert Lambert (Calgary)

WELTERWEIGHTS
Champion
Ricky Anderson (Halifax)
1. Laurie Mann (Prince George)
2. Jamie Ollenberger (Vancouver)
3. Shawn O'Sullivan (Toronto)
4. Denis Sigouin (Hull)
5. Danny Winters (Parrsboro)
6. Chris Clarke (Halifax)
7. John Herbert (Vancouver)
8. George Sponagle (Prince George)

LIGHTWEIGHTS
Champion
Remo DiCarlo (Toronto)
1. Mark Adams (Parrsboro)
2. John Kalbhenn (Toronto)
3. Peter Cunningham (Edmonton)
4. Jaswant Singh Ark (Kelowna)
5. Harpal Talhan (Edmonton)
6. Brad Jeffries (Windsor)
7. Pat Layne (Toronto)
8. Greg Gayle (Ottawa)
9. Gord Hannah (Fort St. John)

FEATHERWEIGHTS
Champion
Tony Pep (Vancouver)
1. Pasquale Procopio (Montreal)
2. Nedrae Simmons (Toronto)
3. Barrington Francis (Montreal)
4. Serge Cusson (Montreal)
5. Dale Walters (Burnaby)
6. Ian Clyde (Montreal)
7. Marty Burton (LaSalle)

was split badly. Replays would show that it had probably been an unintentional butt that gashed Bolanos' eye, but he was in serious trouble anyway. Pazienza pinned Bolanos in a corner and pummeled him until he sagged over on the second rope. Referee Joseph Santarpia pulled Pazienza off and called a halt at 2:48.

"What can I say?" Bolanos' handler, Sergio Gonzales, later said, "Bolanos didn't win a round on my scorecard. Vinnie Pazienza deserves to be number one: he beat him fair and square. Bolanos gave a good account of himself. He fought with his heart tonight, but the better man won." Pazienza is now 20-1.

An eight-round semi-final saw Franco DiOrio, 131, Somerville, Mass., wear down and finally stop Puerto Rico's Sammy O'Neill, 135, late in the fourth round. The brawling DiOrio, now 11-1, is a regular Pazienza sparring partner.

Another Paz sparring mate, San Francisco's Mario L'Esperance, 131, saw his 16-bout win string halted by Frank Mitchell, 131, Columbus, Ohio. This was a lively scrap, with L'Esperance busier but Mitchell more accurate, especially with a counter right cross. Mitchell downed his opponent at the end of round six, and was pounding him severely in the seventh frame when L'Esperance used a body slam to buy some time. After a warning, the bout went on, but after two more slam attempts, ref Richard Tierney disqualified L'Esperance. Mitchell goes to 12-0.

An opening six-rounder saw Willie Barnes, 180, Boston, declared a TKO winner at 2:02 of the last round when Kevin Denson, 187, Providence, tired of catching leather and walked out of the ring. DeDe Young, 169, Monticello, N.Y., wouldn't let ref Larry Bolvin stop his bout until he had battered Gary Gibbs, 174, Providence, but good, and shoved off Bolvin three times as well. Young eventually won by TKO at 2:52 of the sixth stanza. The walkout six saw Harold Souther, 158, Newburyport, Mass., draw with Mike Peoples, 156, Monticello, N.Y.

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TENNESSEE

▶**MEMPHIS—New Daisy Theatre**—Sal Cenicola 135, River Vale, N.J., won a unanimous decision over Robert Dixon, 136, Memphis, in the 10-round main event.

This was an all-action fight that saw Sal, who dominated the first four sessions, cut over the left eyelid and on the top of his head in rounds five and six. The eighth frame saw Dixon land a four-punch combination that forced Cenicola to take a standing eight-count. The official scores were 97-96 and 97-94 (twice). Cenicola is now 18-0. Dixon is 7-4.

Esteban Einstein, 135, Brooklyn, N.Y., halted Vernon Garrett, 139, Oklahoma City, at 2:05 of the second round in a scheduled six.

Chuck Glover, 139, Convington, Tenn., stopped Greg Windum, 137, Oklahoma City, at 2:06 of the first round in their scheduled six.

Tony Pearson, 148, Paterson, N.J., won a unanimous decision over Tyrone Meux, 151, Covington, Tenn., four.

Marcellus Jackson, 164, Memphis, won a majority decision over Tyrone Meux, 151, Covington, Tenn., four.

Referees—Jim Kidd, Sam Garland, Irving Tucker.
Judges—Gilbert Beam, James Perkins, Haywood Watts, Jim Harbert, Sam Garland.
Ring Announcer—Sleepy Rutherford.
Ring Physician—Kim Fulks, M.D.
Promoter—Tom Harmon.
Matchmaker—Red Fortner.
Attendance—500 (estimated).
(09-02-86)

▶**MEMPHIS—New Daisy Theatre**—World ranked cruiserweight Michael Greer, 194, Memphis, knocked out Lupe Garcia, 190, Indianapolis, with a big right hand in 2:30 of the fourth round in a scheduled 10. Greer is now 25-6-2. Garcia is 15-5.

Knox Brown, 164, Memphis, TKO'd Burgess Scruggs, 159, Indianapolis, who failed to answer the bell for the fifth round in a scheduled six.

Robert Dixon, 134, Memphis, TKO'd Mark Brilen, 129, Anderson, Ind., who, like Scruggs, failed to answer the bell for the fifth frame of a scheduled six.

Greg Dixon, 146, Memphis, halted Tommy Jeans, 151, Memphis, at 0:10 of the second round in a scheduled four.

Referees—Jim Kidd, Irving Tucker, Sam Garland.
Judges—Gilbert Beam, James Perkins, Haywood Watts, Jim Harbert, Sam Garland.
Ring Announcer—Sleepy Rutherford.
Rinside Physician—Matthew Wood, M.D.
Promoter—Tom Harmon.
Matchmaker—Red Fortner.
Attendance—600 (estimated).
(10-07-86)

MICHAEL GLENN

CANADA

ALBERTA

▶**EDMONTON—Agridome**—Canadian heavyweight champion Willie de Wit, 208, Grande Prairie, Alb., won a lopsided unanimous decision over Andrew Stokes, 220, Anderson, Ind., 10. Stokes took a bad body beating and went down twice in the final round. He was only in there to survive after the first six innings and did his best to tie up de Wit at every chance. The final scores were 100-91, 100-92, and 99-92.

Young Dempsey, 200, Surrey, B.C., was given a unanimous (99-92, 98-94, 97-95) decision over Rubin Williams, 188, San Jose, Calif., 10. The verdict was booed loudly, and it was difficult for the TV commentators to come up with an explanation of the scoring. Williams, whose license had been picked up by the California State Commission, had lost 16 of his last 18 contests for an overall record of 5-17 coming into this bout. But he showed more boxing ability than Dempsey, who had compiled a 15-1 log against parking lot attendants and pool room hangouts in the state of Washington. There was no way Dempsey won; he would have been lucky in the inept officials had awarded him a draw.

Harpal Talham, 135, Edmonton, scored four knockdowns en route to a unanimous (79-72, 77-75, 80-73) decision over often beaten Gordon Hannah, 134, Fort St. John, eight.

Kelly Perlette, 158, Edmonton, won a unanimous decision over Sid Williams, 144, Vancouver, four.

Referees—K. Mah, B. O'Connor, D. Smart, D. Ward.
Judges—L. Sutton, J. Berry, K. Newman, B. Warwick.
Timekeepers—B. Blacklock, H. Kitchen.
Ring Announcer—R. Christie.
Ringside Physicians—G. Sollbach, H. Schwarz.
Promoter—Rod Proudfot.
Attendance—4,100. Gross—$75,000 (estimated).
(09-30-86)

NOVA SCOTIA

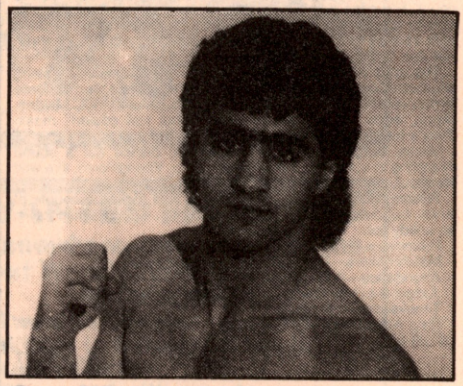
▶**HALIFAX—Forum**—The scheduled main event, a Canadian welterweight title bout, was cancelled when champion Ricky Anderson claimed an injury five days prior to the fight. A four-bout card, which lasted about 35 minutes, was the result. Promoter Sonny MacPhee needed 1,700 attendees to break even. About 500 showed up, and Ringside Promotions wound up refuding more than $20,000 in tickets.

Donovan Boucher, Toronto, won a unanimous decision over Gerry Meekison, Halifax, eight, middles. The scores were 40-34, 40-34, and 39-34. Meekison had been undefeated.

Mario Diaz, Toronto, knocked out Donnie Bryant, Halifax, with a fine combo in 1:58 of the first session, lightweights.

Billy Sponagle, Toronto, TKO'd Tony Smith, Halifax, at 1:24 of round three.

Pee Wee Flint, Halifax, kayoed Stoker Cristlow, Toronto, with three knockdowns in 1:03 of the first round, light heavies.
(09-30-86)



Remo DiCarlo retained the Canadian lightweight crown with a 12-round unanimous decision over John Kalbhenn in Toronto.

ONTARIO

▶**TORONTO—Varsity Arena**—A five-bout card featuring local fighters in two Canadian title bouts failed to materialize as a gate attraction.

Willie Featherstone, 172, Toronto, won the Canadian light heavyweight title when defending champion Roddie MacDonald, 173½, Toronto, was unable to answer the bell for the sixth round due to what was later diagnosed as a separated shoulder. The injury occurred in the first session. Featherstone was leading on all three cards (49-46, 49-46, 50-46) after five. Harry Davis, referee.

Remo DiCarlo, 134, Toronto, retained his Canadian lightweight title with a unanimous decision over John Kalbhenn, 133, Toronto, 12. This was an all-action bout, the champion outboxing a slugger who never gave up and gave him possibly the toughest fight of his career. A combination of weakness and punch put Kalbhenn down to one knee in the final seconds of the contest. The final scores were 119-111, 120-112, and a more realistic 117-113. Ed. Gaudet, referee.

Chico Hernandez, 129½, Toronto, knocked out Julian John, 132½, Hamilton in 0:49 of round two with a well timed right.

Brad Jeffries, 131½, Windsor, outboxed Ricky Fortuna, 135, Niagara Falls, for four rounds and TKO'd him at 2:49 of the fifth.

Pat Layne, 136, Toronto, rallied to score a TKO over Greg Gayle, 131½, Ottawa, in the fifth round of their scheduled six. Harry Davis, referee.

Judges—L. Browning, F. Bullard, R. Hipilito. C. Williams, J. Silvers, B. Cormier.

Timekeepers—Arnold Paris, Frank Shillilo.

Ring announcer—Homer Stephens.

Ringside Physicians—M. Sazant, A. Murray.

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Attendance—3,000 (estimated).

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(08-18-86)

▶**TORONTO—Cabbagetown Youth Center**—Tony Morrison, 178, Toronto, TKO'd Len Edwards, 174, Cleveland, at 1:18 of the fourth round in a scheduled eight.

John Kalbhenn, 138, Toronto, won a unanimous (79-72, 79-71, 79-74) decision over Mark Brannon, 135, Indianapolis, eight.

Terry Francis, 163, Toronto, won a unanimous (59-55, 60-55, 60-54) decision over Richard Wilson, 164, Indianapolis, six. There were no knockdowns.

Darnel Winfield, 174, Cleveland, TKO'd Al York, 178, Kingsville, at 2:25 of the second in a scheduled four-rounder.

Mario Diaz, 132, Toronto, won a unanimous (40-36, 39-37, 39-38) decision over Randy Reedy, 137, Indianapolis, four. No knockdowns, but a fast and busy fight.

Referees—Fern Chretien, Bobby Bell.

Judges—F. Bullard, W. Trimbee, B. Bell.

Timekeepers—Arnold Paris, Frank Shillilo.

Ring Announcer—J. Wylie.

Ringside Physicians—Dr. Palacios, Dr. A. Murray.

Promoter—Peter Wylie.

(10-06-86)

QUEBEC

▶**MONTREAL—Paul Sauve Arena**—Serge Cusson, 126, Montreal, and Pasquale Procopio, 125, Montreal, drew in a fast 10-round bout. Procopio, the number one contender for the Canadian featherweight title, had the hardest bout of his young career against Cusson, who turned in a really fine performance. The scores were 98-98, 97-96, and 96-98. Cusson, the number four contender, will be going against another local fighter in his next bout—third ranked contender Barrington Francis. The winner will be in line for a shot at Canadian champion Tony Pep.

Marc Richard, 170¼, LaSalle, won a close unanimous decision over Jean Wilson, 173, Sorel, eight. The scores were 78-75, 77-76, and 79-74.

Barrington Francis, 130¼, Montreal, had to fight all the way to win a unanimous decision over busy Leo Simmons, 130½, Akron, Ohio, eight. Better boxing and sharper punching carried Francis to victory by scores of 78-74, 79-72, and 79-74.

Frank Baldassare, 148½, Laval, Quebec, TKO'd Benoit Boudreau, 146, Aboujagane, New Brunswick, at 2:26 of the third round in a scheduled six.

Garry McIntire, 162½, Baie Ste. Anne, won a shutout unanimous decision over Martino Dopson, 162¼, Laval, four.

Referees—J. Simpson, R. Doutre, Guy Jutras, T. Crivello.

Judges—M. Frechette, LaVallee, Montpetit, Beaudry.

Timekeepers—O. Marchessault, N. Cichilo.

Ring Announcer—R. Rivest.

Ringside Physicians—P. Meunier, L. LeClerc.

Promoter—Roger Martel.

Attendance—1,500 (estimated).

(09-09-86)

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EUROPE

UNITED KINGDOM

▶**LONDON—Royal Albert Hall**—Chris Pyatt, Leicester, 153, added the vacant European crown to his British light middleweight title by knocking out Dutchman John van Elteren, 152, in 1:37 of the first round in a scheduled 12.

Van Elteren was brought in when champion Said Skouma withdrew, and it was a complete mismatch. The Dutchman went down from the first punch of the opening round—a right to the head. He rose at four, far too early, and was driven around the ring by the merciless Pyatt.

Virtually helpless, Van Elteren was cut by the left eye, and everyone would have been quite happy if it had been stopped by referee Roger Kries of Luxemburg at that point. Instead, he gave the Dutchman a standing count of eight. If it had been "eighty," it wouldn't have helped him, for Pyatt immediately continued his two-handed attack.

Van Elteren wasn't hitting back, and the final punch was a left hook that lifted him off his feet and deposited him on the canvas. It was minutes before he was fit enough to return to his corner.

The choice of inadequate opponents for title matches has been a constant controversy, and on quite a few previous occasions, the British Boxing Board of Control have officially registered their disapproval of some of the challengers that have been put forward. So far, there have been no serious accidents, but there's always a first time. Our advice to the European Boxing Union is only to select challengers whose records justify their challenging for European titles, based on results and experience.

Better no title fights than just one tragedy.

Former British and Commonwealth middleweight champion Mark Kaylor, 162½, stopped American Tony Harrison, 162, in round nine of a scheduled 10, but was himself floored in the opening round. He was only down briefly, and the bell rang almost immediately.

During the interval, he made a full recovery, and although he was given a hard fight he gradually forged ahead. Harrison never gave up, and even in the ninth landed a couple of right hands that must have hurt. Kaylor then landed a couple on his own account, and there was an unfortunate clash of heads which resulted in Harrison being dazed.

Referee Roland Dakin had a word with Harrison, who obviously wanted time to recover. Obviously this couldn't be granted, and the bout was stopped. Kaylor was conceivably ahead.

Former British welter champ Kirkland Laing, 147, stopped German-based Greek Harry Theodossiadis, 146, the referee intervening at 2:04 of round four in a scheduled eight with the Greek under pressure. Laing impressed.

Gary Mason, 242, Wandsworth, made it 13 on the trot, all inside schedule by knocking out American Lorenzo Boyd, 198, in round two of a scheduled eight with a right uppercut. With a weight disadvantage of 44 pounds, Boyd had no chance.

Gary Stretch, 153, St. Helens, won every round in outpointing Darwin Brewster, Cardiff, 152, referee Nick White scoring it 80-77½ after eight.

Paul Hodkinson, 128, Liverpool, stopped Phil Lashley, also 128, Birmingham, at 1:50 of round two, referee White intervening after Lashley had been knocked down twice.

(09-17-86)

▶**HEMEL HEMSPTEAD**—Tony McKenzie, 139¾, Leicester, won the vacant British light welterweight title by stopping Clinton McKenzie (no relation), 138½, referee Roland Dakin calling a halt at 1:45 of round three in a scheduled 12. Clinton afterwards announced his retirement from the ring. He was a former holder of the title.

A left hook put Clinton down. He pluckily rose at nine, but was under pressure and the referee's action was absolutely right.

Errol Christie, 158, Coventry, who looked like such a good prospect until he was beaten by Mark Kaylor last November, won his third bout since that defeat by outpointing American sub Adam George, 157, referee Dakin scoring it 99½-96½ over 10.

A good victory for Christie, as George had beaten then British light middleweight champ Prince Rodney, and had lost only one of his previous 23 bouts.

Floyd Havard, 133, Merthyr, beat George Jones, 132½, Telford, referee Nick White intervening at 2:45 of round four in a scheduled eight after Jones had been down.

Commonwealth Games Gold Medalist Sean Murphy, 121½, St. Albans, made a fine debut by outpointing Albert Parr, 119½, referee White scoring it 60-57½ after six, indicating Murphy had not lost a round

(09-20-86)

CONTINENTAL AMERICAS RATINGS BY THE WBC CONTINENTAL AMERICAS CHAMPIONSHIP COMMITTEE

(As of October 15, 1986)

HEAVYWEIGHTS
Championship
Vacant
1. Renaldo Snipes (U.S.)
2. Larry Alexander (U.S.)
3. Willie de Wit (Canada)
4. Terry Anderson (U.S.)
5. Eddie Gregg (U.S.)
6. Adilson Rodrigues (Brazil)
7. Jose Ribalta (U.S.)
8. Ken Lakusta (Canada)
9. Razor Ruddock (Canada)
10. James Tillis (U.S.)
11. Jimmy Clark (U.S.)
12. Rafael Guerrero (D.R.)

CRUISERWEIGHTS
Championship
Vacant
1. Mike Costello (U.S.)
2. Bert Cooper (U.S.)
3. Dennis Jackson (P.R.)
4. Henry Tillman (U.S.)
5. Osvaldo Ocasio (P.R.)
6. Daniel Neto (Argentina)
7. Mike Lee (U.S.)
8. Jose M. Flores (Uruguay)
9. Eddie Barr (Bahamas)
10. Dorcy Gaymon (U.S.)
11. Carlos Hernandez (U.S.)
12. Alfonzo Ratliff (U.S.)

LIGHT HEAVYWEIGHTS
Championship
Vacant
1. Juan D. Roldan (Argentina)
2. Leslie Stewart (Trinidad)
3. Don LaLonde (Canada)
4. Jeff Lampkin (U.S.)
5. Robert Folley (U.S.)
6. Willie Edwards (U.S.)
7. Uriah Grant (Jamaica)
8. Fulgencio Obelmejias (Vez.)
9. David Sears (U.S.)
10. Charles Williams (U.S.)
11. Virgil Hill (U.S.)
12. Roi Barsoza Bonfin (Brazil)

MIDDLEWEIGHTS
Championship
Vacant
1. Michael Olajide (Canada)
2. Mark McPherson (U.S.)
3. Robbie Smith (U.S.)
4. Kevin Watts (U.S.)
5. Doug DeWitt (U.S.)
6. Frank Tate (U.S.)
7. Don Lee (U.S.)
8. Dario Mattioni (Arg.)
9. Mustafa Hamsho (U.S.)
10. Darren Van Horn (U.S.)
11. Tony Montgomery (U.S.)
12. Rafael Corona (Mexico)

SUPER WELTERWEIGHTS
Championship
Vacant
1. Matthew Hilton (Canada)
2. Milton McCrory (U.S.)
3. Elio Diaz (Venezuela)
4. Hugo Marinangeli (Arg.)
5. Anthony Wiley (U.S.)
6. Mark Medal (Puerto Rico)
7. Ramon Ramos (Argentina)
8. Duane Thomas (U.S.)
9. Reinaldo Hernandez (P.R.)
10. Francisco DeJesus (Brazil)
11. David Noel (Trinidad)
12. Troy Darrell (U.S.)

WELTERWEIGHTS
Championship
Vacant
1. Tyrone Trice (U.S.)
2. Maurice Blocker (U.S.)
3. Gene Hatcher (U.S.)
4. Miguel Arroyo (Argentina)
5. Darryl Anthony (U.S.)
6. Ricky Anderson (Canada)
7. Eduardo Batista (D.R.)
8. Simon Brown (Jamaica)
9. Dennis Johnson (U.S.)
10. Paul Davis (Jamaica)
11. Luis Primera (Venezuela)
12. Harold West (Jamaica)

SUPER LIGHTWEIGHTS
Championship
Vacant
1. Andrew Nance (U.S.)
2. John Montes (U.S.)
3. Frankie Warren (U.S.)
4. Jaime Ollenberger (Canada)
5. Hugo Hernandez (Argentina)
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10. Darryl Fuller (U.S.)
11. Wilmer Ruiz (Mexico)
12. Juan Batista (Dom. Rep.)

LIGHTWEIGHTS
Championship
Vacant
1. Roger Mayweather (U.S.)
2. Sergio Zambrano (Mexico)
3. Ernesto Espana (Venezuela)
4. Remo DiCarlo (Canada)
5. Greg Haugen (U.S.)
6. Juan Nazario (P.R.)
7. Luis Lomeli (U.S.)
8. Frankie Randall (U.S.)
9. Harold West (Jamaica)
10. Miguel Santana (P.R.)
11. Jose Benitez (D.R.)
12. Angel Hernandez (P.R.)

JUNIOR LIGHTWEIGHTS
Champion
Johnny de la Rosa (D.R.)
1. Mario Miranda (Colombia)
2. Juan LaPorte (P.R.)
3. Raphe Sims (U.S.)
4. Refugio Rojas (Mexico)
5. Faustino Barrios (Arg.)
6. Dwight Pratchett (U.S.)
7. Kenny Baysmore (U.S.)
8. Manuel Batista (D.R.)
9. Francisco Fernandez (Panama)
10. Jackie Beard (U.S.)
11. Tony Lopez (Mexico)
12. Neldrick Simmons (Canada)

FEATHERWEIGHTS
Championship
Vacant
1. Roberto Rivera (P.R.)
2. Dale Walters (Canada)
3. Eusebio Espinal (D.R.)
4. Richard Savage (U.S.)
5. Danilo Cabrera (D.R.)
6. Javier Marquez (Mexico)
7. Juvenal Ordenas (Chile)
8. Oscar Avila (Argentina)
9. Tony Pep (Canada)
10. Hector Lopez (Mexico)
11. Nelson Rodriguez (P.R.)
12. Tyrone Jackson (U.S.)

SUPER BANTAMWEIGHTS
Championship
Vacant
1. Tommy Valoy (D.R.)
2. Harold Petty (U.S.)
3. Mike Ayala (U.S.)
4. Daniel Blanco (Colombia)
5. Ramon Cruz Crespo (P.R.)
6. Jesse Benavides (U.S.)
7. Ruben Decima (Argentina)
8. Manuel Miranda (P.R.)
9. Alberto Mercado (P.R.)
10. Waldevino Montero (Brazil)
11. Raul Gonzales (Venezuela)
12. Ramon Dominguez (Argentina)

BANTAMWEIGHTS
Championship
Vacant
1. James Pipps (U.S.)
2. Jorge Ramirez (Mexico)
3. Kelvin Seabrook (U.S.)
4. Chanquito Carmona (Mexico)
5. Lucio Lopez (Argentina)
6. Ray Minus (Bahamas)
7. Antonio Avelar (Mexico)
8. Darrell Thigpen (U.S.)
9. Raul Perea (Mexico)
10. Benito Badilla (Chile)
11. Frankie Duarte (U.S.)
12. Jose Senabria (Venezuela)

SUPER FLYWEIGHTS
Championship
Vacant
1. Sugar Baby Rojas (Colombia)
2. Oscar Bolivar (Colombia)
3. Gustavo Ballas (Argentina)
4. Ernesto Fore (Panama)
5. Julio Soto Solano (D.R.)
6. Raul Diaz (Colombia)
7. Arturo Mujica (Mexico)
8. Paulo Ribeiro (Brazil)
9. Santiago Caballero (Vez.)
10. Michael Parish (Guyana)
11. Juan Cortez (Argentina)
12. Jesse Williams (U.S.)

FLYWEIGHTS
Championship
Vacant
1. Paul Gonzales (U.S.)
2. Jimmy Fernandez (Mexico)
3. Adrian Roman (Argentina)
4. Juan Herrera (Mexico)
5. Richard Clarke (Jamaica)
6. Rafael Cabrera (D.R.)
7. Manuel Sayago (Venezuela)
8. Henry Brent (U.S.)
9. Ray Medel (U.S.)
10. Emilio Santos (Mexico)
11. Rafael Caban (P.R.)
12. Alberto Castro (Colombia)

LIGHT FLYWEIGHTS
Championship
Vacant
1. Mario DeMarco (Argentina)
2. Efren Pinto (Mexico)
3. German Torres (Mexico)
4. Agustin Garcia (Colombia)
5. Ruben Padilla (Mexico)
6. Santiago Mendez (Mexico)
7. Hermogenes Murillo (Panama)
8. Amado Urzua (Mexico)
9. Roy Thornton (Panama)
10. Memo Flores (Mexico)
11. Rodolfo Blanco (Colombia)
12. Alfredo Reyes (Venezuela)

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▶**GLASGOW—Plaza Ballroom**—In a battle of Area champions, Welshman Steve Davies, Pembroke, 151½, kayoed Scot Dave Douglas, 152, Larkhall, in 0:38 of round three in a scheduled eight twos with a left to the jaw.

Harry Mullen, 147½, Hurlford, didn't lose a round outpointing Steve Kiernan, 149, Moodiesburn, referee Billy Rafferty scoring it 80-78 after eight twos.

John Mullen, 144, Irvine, made a winning debut, outpointing Norrie Dennis, 147½, Luton, over six twos by 59½-58.

Returning after an absence of over a year, Bobby McDermott, 116½, Glasgow, drew with Ronnie Stephenson, 122, Doncaster, over six twos. Billy Rafferty, referee.

Craig Windsor, 133, Coatbridge, beat Renard Ashton, 138½, Luton, referee Mullen calling a halt at 1:52 of round four in a scheduled six twos after Ashton was cut by the left eye.

Debutant Donnie Hood, 121½, Glasgow, narrowly outpointed Stuart Rishermac, Luton, referee Mullen casting it 59-58½ after six twos.
(09-22-86)

▶**GLASGOW—St. Andrews Sporting Club**—Gary Jacobs, 148, Glasgow, stopped Jeff Decker, 147¼, South Shields, referee Len Mullen intervening at 1:10 of round three in a scheduled eight twos when Decker was cut near both eyes and under pressure.

Alastair Laurie, Selkirk, 152, outpointed Steve Davies, 156, Pembroke, the Welsh champion, referee Billy Rafferty scoring it 79-78 after eight twos. Laurie had a swelling by the left eye and was down briefly in the final round.

Steve Kiernan, 145, Moodiesburn, drew with Stanley Jones, 142, Swansea, over eight twos. Len Mullen, referee.

Steve Williams, 177, Grangemouth, also 177, outpointed John Williams, Birmingham, by a narrow 59½-59 over six twos on referee Billy Rafferty's card.
(09-15-86)

▶**STOKE—Kings Hall**—Paul (Rocky) Smith, 157, Sheffield, beat Cliff Domville, 156, Liverpool, who was disqualified in round two by referee Frank Parkes for "repeated low punching."

Phil Lashley, 122, Birmingham, beat Gypsy Johnny, 118, Colne, referee Parkes stopping the bout with Johnny cut by the left eye. A scheduled six twos, the injury occurring in the opening round.

Davey Hughes, 128, Rotherham, outpointed Nigel Lawrence, also 128, Battersea, referee Parkes scoring it a narrow 59-58½ after six twos.

Another close one saw Kevin Mortimer, 142, Merthyr, outpoint John Conlon, also 142, Liverpool, by 59-58 on referee Parkes' card after six twos.
(09-10-86)

▶**COVENTRY—Godiva Sporting Club**—Midlands Area lightweight champion Ray Newby, 135½, Nottingham, outpointed sub George Baigrie, 137, Edinburgh, referee Paul Thomas scoring it 79½-77 after eight. Baigrie contested every inch of the way.

Steve Tempro, 145, Leicester, outpointed Mike MacKenzie, 148, Perth, not losing a round on referee Thomas's card of 80-77½ after eight.

Will Halliday, 141, Leicester, stopped debutant Steve Higgins, 140½, Charlton, referee Thomas intervening at 0:29 of round four in a scheduled six two with Higgins under pressure.

Willie Wilson, 134, Nottingham, outpointed debutant Adam Muir, 134½, over six twos, referee Thomas casting it 59½-58.
(09-15-86)

▶**NORWICH—Lads' Club**—Tee Jay, 184½, Ghana-born and residing in Clapham, became the first Southern Area cruiseweight champion by beating Gipsy George Carman, 187, Wisbech, referee Sid Nathan intervening at 2:03 of round four in a scheduled 10 when Carman was cut by the right eye.

The bout between Eamonn Payne, Kings Lynn, 139½, and Muhammad Lovelock, 136, Manchester, was declared "no contest" by referee Sid Nathan in round four, both men being ruled out for "not trying hard enough." It was a scheduled eight.

Paul Gamble, 170, Norwich, beat Dennis Hogan, 175, Cork, referee Nathan halting matters at the end of round five when Hogan was cut near the left eye.

Mike Betts, 140, Norwich, kayoed Dave Hall, 142¼, Manchester, in 1:24 of the sixth and final round. He had also been down in the opening round. Reg Thompson, referee.

Sean Leighton, 156, Chorley, stopped Oliver Henry, 149, Kings Lynn, referee Thompson intervening at 48 seconds of the first round after Henry had been down twice.

Craig Walsh, 133¼, Bradford, outpointed Rocky Lester, 140¼, Leicester, winning every round on referee Thompson's card of 60-57 after six.
(09-10-86)

▶**MANCHESTER—Anglo American Sporting Club**—Sean O'Phoenix, 175, beat Dave Mowbray, 171, Alfreton, referee Ron Hackett disqualifying Mowbray for "deliberate butting" at 1:16 of round three in a scheduled eight. After a clash of heads O'Phoenix was cut by the left eye.

Debutant Lamby Kahani, 128, Sheffield, easily outpointed Tony Carter, 129, referee Hackett scoring it 59½-57½ after six.

John Davis, 152¾, Manchester, kayoed Paul Burton, 153½, in 1:13 of the sixth and final round with a left hook. Ron Hackett, referee.

Ronnie Stephenson, 118, Doncaster, won every round in outpointing Gerry McBride, 120, referee Hackett scoring it 60-57 after six.
(9-15-86)

▶**LONDON—National Sporting Club**—Mike Durvan, 136, Croydon, outpointed Ken Foreman, 136¼, Hartlepool, referee Roy Francis scoring it 79-78 after eight.

Mickey Hughes, 154, St. Pancras, stopped Cliff Domville, 161, Liverpool, referee Reg Thompson intervening at 1:20 of round four in a scheduled six with Domville under pressure.

Trevor Grant, 152, Lewisham, outpointed sub Steve Tempro, 147, Leicester, referee Thompson casting it 60-57½, indicating that Grant hadn't lost a round. Tempro deserves full credit for trying until the final bell.

W.O. Wilson, 164, Lewisham, kayoed Birmingham debutant Tony Behan, 168, in 1:20 of round two in a scheduled four twos with a right hook.
(09-22-86)

▶**EDGBASTON—Tower Ballrooms**—Alan Baptiste, 165, Luton, stopped Tony Meszaros, 164½, Birmingham, referee John Coyle calling a halt at 1:25 of round seven in a scheduled eight when Tony's eye injury, sustained in round two had worsened. This was Baptiste's third win over Tony, so he can wrap him up and take him home.

Gary Somerville, 148, Birmingham, didn't lose a round in outpointing George Kerr, also 148, Dundee, referee John Keane scoring it 80-77 after eight twos.

Ronnie Carroll, 120, Glasgow, outpointed Simon Turner, Edgbaston, also 120, over six twos, referee Keane casting it 59-58.

John Smith, 139½, Liverpool, outpointed John Townsley, 139, Glasgow, over six twos.

Marvin P. Gray, 131, Stanley, outpointed Paul Timmons, also 131, Alfreton, over six twos by 59½-58½. John Keane did the scoring, with tiallist Larry Thomas refereeing inside the ring.

Hugh Forde, 128½, Birmingham, didn't lose a round, outpointing Carl Gaynor, 129, Manchester, referee Keane casting it 60-57½ after six twos.

In a battle of debutants, Ronnie Campbell, 143½, Dudley, stopped Adrian Booth, 145½, Leamington, after 40 seconds of round three.
(09-22-86)

▶**SOUTHEND—20th Century Sporting Club**—Graham Jenner, 163, Hastings, kayoed debutant Tommy Beckett, 164, London, 1.25 of round two with a right hook. O'Connell, referee.

John McGlynn, 157, Swansea, beat Dean Turner, 156, Southampton, who retired at the end of round four with an injured eye.

Rocky Reynolds, 146, Swansea, stopped Danny Sinclair, London, 142, referee O'Connell intervening at 1:54 of round three after Sinclair had been down.

Les Remikie, Leicester, 134, stopped Little Curry, 133, Catford, referee O'Connell calling a halt at 1:13 of round five with Curry under pressure.
(09-16-86)

▶**LEEDS—Armley Sports Centre**—Former British and Commonwealth welter champion Sylvester Mittee, 149, stopped American Willie McGee, also 149, referee Brian Hogg intervening at 1:25 of round five with McGee under pressure. McGee proved an aggressive opponent, and was doing well until Mittee opened out.

Billy Buchanan, 137, Dundee, outpointed Michael Marsden, also 137, Leeds, over eight by 78½-78.

Ernie Noble, 138, Wakefield, drew with Dean Eshelby, also 138, Sheffield, six. Making his debut, Eshelby was floored in the opening round on two occasions.

Denys Cronin, 163, Caerphilly, stopped Dennis Sheehan, 158, Nottingham, referee Harry Warner intervening at 0:32 of round two after Sheehan had been decked.

Nick Vardy, 169, Derby, outpointed Ian Whitehead, 173, over six by 59-58.
(09-16-86)

▶**BRADFORD—Yorkshire Executive Sporting Club**—Carl Crook, 133, Chorley, made it six in a row when he outpointed Sugar Gibiliru, 135, Liverpool, referee Michey Vann scoring it 59½-58½ after six.

George Baigrie, 135, Edinburgh, stopped Craig Walsh, also 135, Bradford, referee Ron Hackett intervening at 1:22 of the sixth and final round after Walsh had been knocked down.

Andrew Steadman, 128, Skipton, outpointed Dave Croft, 130, Doncaster, referee Hackett scoring it 59½-58 after six twos.

Kevin Spratt, 135½, Leeds, outpointed Kevin Plant, 136, Denaby, referee Mickey Vann casting it a narrow 59-58½ after six twos. Spratt was down in the final session from a right hand.
(09-22-86)

▶**LONDON—National Sports Centre, Crystal Palace**—Rocky Kelly, Liverpool-born and Acton-based, won the Southern Area welterweight title by stopping Mark Mills, Caerphilly-born and Croydon-based, referee Mike Jacobs intervening at 1:35 of round seven in a scheduled 10. There was nothing in it at that stage, and, in the previous round, Kelly was cut by the right eye, the referee stopping the action to examine it, but allowing the fight to continue.

In round seven, Mills was caught with a left hook that sent him against the ropes. Kelly followed up, and was pounding away when the referee stopped it. Mills and his cornermen protested strongly, alleging Mills was blocking many of the punches. But he was not hitting back, and the referee is nearest the action.

Keith Bristol, Battersea, was 179 at the official weigh-in, but reduced to 175 and stopped Harry Cowap, Dublin, the All-Ireland champion, 171¾, referee Jacobs intervening at 1:10 of round five in a scheduled 10 after a right had put Cowap down for eight. Cowap was cut near both eyes.

Glen Dainty, 122, Canvey, got off the canvas in round four to outpoint Danny Lee, 120½, Glasgow, referee Paddy Sower scoring it 59½-57½ over six twos.

Glazz Campbell, 175½, Brockley, outpointed Serg Fame, 175, Paddington, referee Sower scoring it 79-78 after eight twos.

W.O. Wilson, 158½, Lewisham, stopped Gerald McCarthy, 155, Bracknell, referee Sower intervening at 0:45 of round one in a scheduled six twos with McCarthy under pressure.

Andy Till, 157¾, Northolt, outpointed Graham Jenner, 162, Hastings, over six twos, referee Sower casting it 60-57, indicating that Till won every round.
(09-25-86)

▶**WESTON-SUPER-MARE—West of England Sporting Club, Winter Gardens**—Welsh cruiserweight champion Abner Blackstock, 185, Newport, beat Terry Gilbey, 184½, Hull, the bout being stopped by referee Denzil Lewis at the end of round one in a scheduled eight when Gilbey sustained an eye injury.

Billy Barton, 127½, Blaengarw, outpointed Dean Lynch, 125½, over six twos, referee Lewis (who officiated throughout) scoring it 60-57, indicating Barton had won every round. It was Lynch's pro debut.

Gary McConnell, 203½, Wells, won his debut by outpointing Steve Garber, Bradford, 225½, scoreline 59-58½ after six twos.

A close one.

Peter Canterdale, 150¾, didn't lose a round in outpointing Paul Wetter, 151½, scoreline 60-58 after six twos.
(09-18-86)

▶**PRESTON—Guild Hall**—Gary Williams, 138½, Doncaster, kayoed Peter Crook, also 138½, Chorley, in 0:52 of round five to win the vacant Central Area Light-welterweight title. Ron Hackett, referee.

Nigel (brother of Peter) Crook, 126, Chorley, narrowly outpointed Russ Davison, 127¾, referee Harry Warner scoring it 59-58½ after six.

Ian Chantler, 154½, St. Helens, narrowly outpointed Central Area light middleweight champion Sammy Sampson, Preston, referee Hackett casting it 78½-78 after eight. Sampson was down four times. It was a non-title fight.

Sean Daly, 200½, Leigh, didn't lose a round in outpointing Mick Cordon, 216, Doncaster, referee Warner scoring it 60-57½ after six.

Debutant Ian Baylis, 163½, Preston, stopped Kevin Hughes, 164, in round two. Hughes was floored, and referee Warner didn't bother to take up the count. Official result: stopped fight, but Hughes was on the canvas for around a minute before getting to his feet. (*The Ring Record Book* considers this a knockout.)
(09-25-86)

▶**BATLEY—The Frontier**—Inactive for seven months, Charlie Wilson, 151, Bradford, returned to outpoint Franki Morro, Ghana-born and Liverpool-based, 151½, referee Michey Vann scoring it 79-77½ after eight. Morro was cut near the left eye.

Peter Brown, 168, Bradford, outpointed Steve Ward, also 168, Nottingham, referee Ron Hackett casting it 80-76½ after eight twos, indicating that Brown had not lost a round.

Derek Wormold, 155, Rochdale, outpointed Seamus Casey, 156, Alfreton, referee Hackett calling it 80-77 after eight twos, again indicating that the winner had not lost a round.

Debutant Darrett Connellan, 133, Rochdale, beat Alvin Gypsy Finch, also 133, Lancaster, referee Vann calling a halt at 1:45 of round three in a scheduled six when Finch was under pressure and cut by the right eye.

Steve Harwood, 150, Batley, stopped Dave Heaver, also 150, Doncaster, referee Hackett intervening at 1:44 of round four in a scheduled six twos after Heaver had been down.

Nigel Senior, 129, Nottingham, outpointed Carl Cleasby, also 129, Pudsey, referee Vann scoring it 59-58 after six.

David Ingram, 119½, Grimethorpe, narrowly outpointed Des Gargano, 119, Manchester, referee Hackett casting it 58½-58 after six.
(09-23-86)

▶**PETERBOROUGH—Wirrins Stadium**—Lennie Gloster, 139½, won the vacant Southern Area light welterweight title by stopping Tony Adams, 140, Brixton, referee Dave Parris intervening at 2:45 of round eight when Adams was cut by the left eye. Adams looked ahead at the time and protested at the stoppage. When they met last year Adams won by a seventh-round stoppage.

Gary De Roux, 129, Peterborough, made a successful debut by stopping Tony Carter, also 129, Manchester, at 0:25 of round two in a scheduled six twos.

Another Peterborough debutant, Nigel Fairbairn, 154½, didn't lose a round in outpointing G.L. Booth, 155, Manchester, over six twos by 60-58.

Lee West, 140, Dulwich, stopped Wayne Goult, 140½, Wisbech, at 1:00 of round five in a scheduled six twos. Referee Jim Pridding refereed this and the previous two bouts.

Shane Porter, 125, Kettering, stopped Mitchell King, 127, Leicester, referee Parris intervening at 0:25 of round four in a scheduled six twos with King under pressure.
(09-25-86)

▶**WOLVERHAMPTON—Civic Hall**—Tommy Taylor, 172½, Hednesford, won the vacant Midlands Area light heavyweight title by knocking out Dennis Bailey, also 172½, Kettering, in 1:50 of round four. John Coyle, referee.

Peter Till, 137½, Bloxwich, drew with Gerry Beard, 139½, Nottingham, over eight. John Coyle, referee.

Tony Swift, 138, Birmingham, outpointed Barry Bacon, 139, Alfreton, referee Terry O'Connor scoring it 60-57 after six twos, indicating that Swift had won every round in a fine debut.

Debutant Derek Amery, 124, Birmingham, kayoed Roy Williams, 122½, in 1:19 of round two in a scheduled six twos. Terry O'Connor, referee.

Steve Garber, 224, Bradford, outpointed debutant Carl Timbrell, 250, referee O'Connor scoring it 59½-57½ over six.

Martin Kielty, 158, Birmingham, stopped Malcolm Davies, 157, Shrewsbury, referee O'Connor intervening at 1:12 of the sixth and final round with Davies under pressure.
(09-25-86)

▶**SWINDON—Links Centre**—Roy Smith, 189½, Nottingham, outpointed Abner Blackstock, 186½, over 10 in an official eliminator for the British cruiserweight title, referee Adrian Morgan scoring it 99-97½. Smith thus repeated a previous victory.

Johnny Williamson, 156½, Gloucester, beat Paul Smith, 160½, Sheffield, referee Denzil Lewis intervening at 1:48 of round seven in a scheduled eight twos when Smith was cut by the left eye.

Many who saw this contest voted it a leading contender for Fight of The Year, and the fans gave both men a standing ovation at the close. Smith, down twice in the opening round, rallied magnificently, but Williamson appeared to be in front when the stoppage came.

Gary Muir, 140¾, Belfast-born and Swindon-based, also the All-Ireland light wealter champion, stopped Mark Poltney, 141½, Leicester, referee Lewis intervening at 1:24 of the eighth and final round with Poultney under pressure.

Delroy Bryan, 140, Nottingham, outpointed Gary Cass, 141½, Swindon, referee Roddy Evans casting it 59-58 after six twos.

Debutant Ivan Joseph, 199, Hackney stopped Gary McConnell, 206½, Wells, referee Evans calling a halt at 0:52 of round two in a schedule six twos with McConnell under pressure.

Davey Hughs, 132, Irish-born and Rotherham-based, outpointed Mike Russell, 131½, Plymouth, referee Evans' card showing 59½-58½ after six twos.
(09-26-86)

COMMONWEALTH RATINGS

HEAVYWEIGHTS
Champion
Horace Notice (Great Britain)
1. Trevor Berbick (Canada)
2. Frank Bruno (Great Britain)
3. Donovan (Razor) Ruddock (Canada)
4. Joe Bugner (Great Britain)
5. Hughroy Currie (Great Britain)
6. Proud Kilimanjaro (Zimbabwe)
7. Funso Banjo (Great Britain)
8. Willie de Wit (Canada)
9. Ken Lakusta (Canada)
10. Dave Garside (Great Britain)

CRUISERWEIGHTS
Champion
Chisanda Mutti (Zambia)
1. Bashiru Ali (Nigeria)
2. John Odhiambo (Uganda)
3. Sammy Reeson (Great Britain)
4. Tony Fuliangi (Tonga)
5. Kevin Wagstaff (Australia)
6. Andy Straughn (Great Britain)
7. Dave Russell (Australia)
8. Young Dempsey (Canada)
9. Cedric Parsons (Canada)
10. Eddie Melo (Canada)

LIGHT HEAVYWEIGHTS
Champion
Leslie Stewart (Trinidad)
1. Dennis Andries (Great Britain)
2. Prince Mamah Mohammed (Ghana)
3. Joe Lasisi (Nigeria)
4. Uriah Grant (Jamaica)
5. Tom Collins (Great Britain)
6. Gary Hubble (Australia)
7. Enoch Chama (Zambia)
8. Yawe Davis (Uganda)
9. Don LaLonde (Canada)
10. Willie Featherstone (Canada)

MIDDLEWEIGHTS
Champion
Tony Sibson (Great Britain)
1. Herol Graham (Great Britain)
2. Mark Kaylor (Great Britain)
3. Michael Olajide (Canada)
4. Ayub Kalule (Uganda)
5. Errol Christie (Great Britain)
6. Tony Burke (Great Britain)
7. Mark Janssen (Australia)
8. Brian Anderson (Great Britain)
9. Brian Muller (Guyana)
10. Hunter Clay (Nigeria)

LIGHT MIDDLEWEIGHTS
Champion
Nick Wilshire (Great Britain)
1. John Mugabi (Uganda)
2. Mike McCallum (Jamaica)
3. Matthew Hilton (Canada)
4. Chris Pyatt (Great Britain)
5. Lloyd Hibbert (Great Britain)
6. Prince Rodney (Great Britain)
7. Steve Renwick (Australia)
8. Gary Cooper (Great Britain)
9. David Noel (Trinidad)
10. Mick Courtney (Great Britain)

WELTERWEIGHTS
Champion
Lloyd Honeyghan (Great Britain)
1. Sylvester Mittee (Great Britain)
2. Brian Janssen (Australia)
3. Kirkland Laing (Great Britain)
4. John Munduga (Uganda)
5. Tony Brown (Great Britain)
6. Kostas Petrou (Great Britain)
7. Rocky Kelly (Great Britain)
8. Charles Kwokolo (Nigeria)
9. Jeff Malcolm (Australia)
10. Judas Clottey (Ghana)

LIGHT WELTERWEIGHTS
Championship
Vacant
1. Terry Marsh (Great Britain)
2. Pat Leglise (Australia)
3. Tony Laing (Great Britain)
4. Mohamed Kawoya (Uganda)
5. Laurie Mann (Canada)
6. Jamie Ollenberger (Canada)
7. Wilf Gentzen (Australia)
8. Anthony Andrews (Guyana)
9. Tony McKenzie (Great Britain)
10. Tony Jones (Australia)

LIGHTWEIGHTS
Champion
Langton Tinago (Zimbabwe)
1. Cornelius Boza-Edwards (Great Britain)
2. Terrence Alli (Guyana)
3. Dale Artango (Australia)
4. Lester Ellis (Australia)
5. Remo DiCarlo (Canada)
6. Tony Willis (Great Britain)
7. Graeme Brooke (Australia)
8. Mo Hussein (Great Britain)
9. Sam Ago Kotey (Ghana)
10. Mike Durvan (Great Britain)

JUNIOR LIGHTWEIGHTS
Champion
John Sichula (Zambia)
1. Barry Michael (Australia)
2. Najib Daho (Great Britain)
3. Pat Cowdell (Great Britain)
4. Patrick Ford (Guyana)
5. John Doherty (Great Britain)
6. Sam Akromah (Ghana)
7. Pat Doherty (Great Britain)
8. Kevin Pritchard (Great Britain)
9. Shane Knox (Australia)
10. Steve Sims (Great Britain)

FEATHERWEIGHTS
Champion
Tyrone Downes (Trinidad)
1. Barry McGuigan (Great Britain)
2. Azumah Nelson (Ghana)
3. Jim McDonnell (Great Britain)
4. Modest Napunyi (Kenya)
5. Robert Dickie (Great Britain)
6. John Feeney (Great Britain)
7. Tony Pep (Canada)
8. Tony Miller (Australia)
9. Anthony Brown (Great Britain)
10. John Farrell (Great Britain)

BANTAMWEIGHTS
Champion
Ray Minus (Bahamas)
1. Paul Ferreri (Australia)
2. Ray Gilbody (Great Britain)
3. Jeff Fenech (Australia)
4. Francis Musankabala (Zambia)
5. Peter Harris (Great Britain)
6. Roy Webb (Great Britain)
7. Billy Hardy (Great Britain)
8. Chris (Ash) Kpakkpo (Ghana)
9. Mike Irungu (Kenya)
10. Mike Parris (Guyana)

FLYWEIGHTS
Champion
Richard Clarke (Jamaica)
1. Duke McKenzie (Great Britain)
2. Steve Muchoki (Kenya)
3. Wayne Mulholland (Australia)
4. Dave McAuley (Great Britain)
5. Junior Thompson (Australia)
6. James Njorge (Kenya)
7. Albert Musankabala (Zambia)
8. Gabriel Kuphey (Ghana)
9. Peter Mitrevski (Australia)
10. Nana Yaw Konadu (Ghana)

▶**LOUGHBOROUGH—Town Hall**—Tony Heath, 120, Loughborough, outpointed Gerry McBride, 119, Manchester, referee Frank Parkes scoring it 79½-77½ after eight.

Lincoln Pennant, Loughborough, 176, beat Dave Foley, 172, Doncaster, who retired at 0:25 of round two. Foley was caught with a left hook that appeared to land after the bell had signalled the end of round one. Foley protested, but eventually went to his corner. His jaw was obviously painful, causing his retirement. It was later found to be broken. Frank Parkes, referee.

Debutant Sean Cummings, 153, Leicester, won every round in outpointing Michael Justin, 156½, Nottingham, referee Terry O'Connor scoring it 60-57 after six.

Frank Harrington, 141, Lancaster, outpointed Rocky Lester, 143, Leicester, referee O'Connor scoring it 59½-58 after six twos.
(09-29-86)

▶**GLASGOW—Whitebread Sporting Club**—Dave McCabe, 140, Glasgow, outpointed Peter Eubanks, 142, Brighton, referee Len Mullen casting it 79-77½ after eight. McCabe had been inactive for two years.

Kevin Mortimer, 147, Rhondda Valley, kayoed Alistair Laurie, Selkirk, 145½, in 1:51 of round three in a scheduled eight twos. Mortimer was a sub. Len Mullen, referee.

Criag Windsor, 131, Coatbridge, narrowly outpointed Adrian Staples, 130, Cantybride, referee Billy Rafferty scoring it 59½-59 after six twos.

Donnie Hood, 121½, Glasgow, didn't lose a round in outpointing Keith Ward, 123, Merthyr Tydfil, referee Rafferty casting it 60-58½ after six twos.
(09-29-86)

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▶**MDANTSANE—Sisa Dukashe Stadium**—Nika Khumalo did not lose a round in outpointing tough Frank Khonkhobe, eight, lightweights.

Mlungwana Mgaxaji outscored Xolani Kemka, six, flyweights.

Ayanda Barnabas narrowly outpointed Elijah Diphangwe, six, junior flyweights.
(07-26-86)

▶**DURBAN**—Heavyweight prospect Johnny du Plooy outscored American Mike Jameson, 10. A dull fight, the American rather passive.

South African bantamweight champion Simon Skosana outpointed Julio Solano, 10.

South African junior middleweight champion Gregory Clark outscored Charles Oosthuizen, six.

Lionel Hunter outpointed Blessing Massinga, six, middles.

Attendance—6,000 (estimated).
(09-01-86)

▶**MDANTSANE**—Zweli Ngcongolo retained his South African junior featherweight title with an easy first round knockout over Jack Mathys.

Cape junior welterweight champion Julius Mnwana outscored Joseph Thetele, over.

Daluxolo Tyekana outpointed Paul Ramakhoa, six, featherweights.
(08-02-86)

▶**MDANTSANE**—Vuyani (Wonderboy) Nene survived knockdowns in the fourth and fifth rounds to stop defending champion Odwa (Old Bones) Mdleleni in the seventh round of a scheduled 12 and win the South African junior flyweight title.

Fundile Shushwana narrowly outscored Martin Botes, eight, bantamweights.

Victor Sonaba won the vacant Cape flyweight crown by stopping Dlepsuku Mbaduli in the eighth round of a scheduled 10.

Paulus Pulumo outpointed Mgondisi Ntshinka, six, junior lightweights.
(09-07-86)

▶**JOHANNESBURG**—Arthur (Fighting Prince) Mayisela looked good in knocking out Venezuela's Antonio Guerra in the third round of a scheduled 10-round welterweight contest. The tall, lean Venezuelan started off at a brisk pace and caught Mayisela with some stinging lefts that bloodied the South African's nose. A left-right combo to the head put Guerra down for the full count midway in round three.

Bennie Knoetze survived two bad cuts on his nose and one above his left eye to win the vacant Transvaal heavyweight title with a points win over Siza Makhatini, 10.

Attendance—3,000.
(09-14-86)

▶**NOTES**—Arthur Mayisela died on September 17, 1986, three days after his great win over Guerra. Death was due to injuries sustained in an automobile accident on a highway just outside Johannesburg.

Mayisela was one of the African continent's most charismatic boxers, and his deep baritone voice and shaven head will be

missed by his many loyal fans.
So long, champ. We will miss you.

RON JACKSON

ORIENT

INDONESIA

▶**JAKARTA**—Ellyas (Elly) Pical, the Indonesian hero, regained the IBF junior bantamweight crown by knocking out Cesar Polanco, Dominican Republic, in 2:40 of the third round in a scheduled 15-round title bout.

Pical, 26, had lost his title to Polanco, 19, last February.

The determined Pical dug a wicked shot into the right ribs of Polanco in round three. Down he went. Abraham Pacheco, the U.S. referee, counted out the defending champ. Pical, the first world kingpin Indonesia has ever produced, thus boosted his log to 12-2 with eight knockouts. Polanco, who experienced his first setback, fell to 14-1-1.

Pical pocketed $35,000 and Polanco received $100,000 for his defense in the ex-champ's hometown. Lefty Elly looked very sharp.
(07-05-86)

JOE KOIZUMI

JAPAN

▶**TOKYO—Korakuen Hall**—Fast rising Seiji Tomari, the WBC's ninth ranked light flyweight at 109, won a close but unanimous decision over ex-Thai champ Kwanjai Sorpenpis, also 109, 10.

Scoring: referee Tezaki, 99-97, judges Shimakawa and Kanaya, both 100-98—all for the taller Tomari.

Tomari entered the WBA and WBC ratings thanks to his upset kayo of highly rated Mexican Efren Pinto last May.

The Japanese however, was befuddled by the tricky lefty. Tomari won because he threw a lot of punches.

Tomari is now 13-2 with seven kayoes. Kwanjai fell to 23-10-1 with 13 knockouts.

Fusao Imai, 127¼, earned a unanimous decision over Kimio Saotome, 130, 10.

Imai's cleverness kept Saotome from landing with big punches. Fusao is the only fighter to have beaten current WBC world super lightweight champ Tsuyoshi Hamada.

Imai is now 13-9-2 with seven knockouts. Saotome, the JBC'S third ranked junior lightweight, is 6-7-2 with five kayoes.

Keiichi Ozaki, 120¼, Japan's number six bantamweight, proved too energetic and tough for Toyokazu Sekito 120½, winning a unanimous decision eight.

Ozaki is now 11-7 with one kayo. Sekito is 7-3 with seven knockouts.

Yoichi Nago's King Promotions.

Attendance—2,170. TBS TV.
(09-22-86)

▶**TOKYO—Korakuen Hall**—The Japanese Managers Union, in association with Fuji TV, staged the A Class Prize Tourney where the JBC's ranked boys compete in six round-bouts. Only the finals are fought over eight rounds.

BANTAMWEIGHT: Unbeaten 18-year-old Naoto Takahashi, 117¼, showed his sharpness in dropping Tadashi Shimabukuro, the JBC's top contender at 118, in the final round to win a unanimous decision, eight.

They fought on almost even terms until the seventh canto, when Takahashi landed a beautiful right cross and floored his more experienced oppenent. The knockdown carried Takahashi to victory.

Takahashi, piloted by ex-referee Koshiro Abe, upped his unblemished log to 10-0 with six knockouts. Takahashi is a true prospect who can punch, counter and, defend himself properly.

Simabukuro, the nephew of ex-world champ Yasutsune Uehara, fell to 11-2-1 with seven kayoes. It was the Fight of the Month in Japan.

Scoring: referee Ugo, 79-77; judges Shimakawa and Asao, 78-77 and 79-77, respectively, all for the tall rookie.

FLYWEIGHT: Leopard Tamakuma, a 5'8" flyweight, 111½, showed his progress in landing blows at short range, and pounded out a onesided nod over ex-Japanese titlist Kentoku Nakama, 112, eight.

The loser was downed to the ropes twice in rounds five and six. Official scores; 80-73 and double 80-74. Tamakuma, a good threat against Japanese champ Koji Nishikawa, is now 15-3 with five kayoes. Nakama fell to 17-5-1 with eight knockouts.

JUNIOR FLYWEIGHT: Fast Hiroyuki Miyata, 108, was awarded a TKO win over Kenji Yokozawa, 107¾, at 2:47 of the sixth round in a scheduled eight.

This was a war, both boxers hitting the deck in the first round. Yokozawa bled from a gash over the right eyebrow, but fought on until the JBC's ring physician advised the ref to call a halt.

Miyata is now 11-1-1 with four kayoes. Yokozawa fell to 7-6-2 with two knockouts.

Mutsumi Suzuki, 130, battled to a draw with rough and tough Koki Higashi, also 130, eight.

Sensational high school boy Kengo Fukuda, 121¾, suffered an unexpected knockdown and lost a close but majority decision to Noboru Ogihara, 122, four. Fukuda thus suffered his first setback after six consecutive kayoes in as many fights.

Misako Promotions.

Attendance—2,400 (estimated).

Fuji TV.
(09-25-86)

▶**FUKUOKA—Hakata Star Lane**—Japanese middleweight champ Masaharu Owada, 154¾, showed his strength and finished Tadashi Maruo, 156½, at 2:26 of the fifth round in a scheduled 10.

It was the first defense by Owada, who had acquired the throne by beating Mugen Kawasaka on points in his previous bout.

Owada, 25, is now 12-10-1 with 10 kayoes. Maruo, 27, is 11-9-1 with eight knockouts.

Fukuoka Teikeh Promotions.
(09-28-86)

▶**OSAKA—Sakuranomiya Skating Rink**—Young four-round boys competed in the finals of the *Shinjin-o* (Novice King) tourney of the Kansai district.

Junior Flyweight: Nao Tokushima, 107½, stopped Toshihiko Tsujino, 108, at 1:36 of the first round in a scheduled six. Tokushima is now 8-0 with two kayoes.

Flyweight:Yukinobu Hayashino, 114¼, disposed of Takeshi Maeda, 114¼, at 1:00 of the second session in a scheduled six.

Junior Bantamweight: Ryuji Morishita, 114½, was also a kayo winner over Koji Nakajima, 115, at 1:18 of the first round in a scheduled six.

Bantamweight Masami Yoshida, 117¾, polished off Tamotsu Hattori, 114½, at 1:50 of the opening canto in a scheduled six.

Junior Featherweight: Kazuo Iga, 120¾, came off the canvas in the first round, and fought back to stop Masaharu Fukuyama, 121¼, at 2:55 of the fifth round in a scheduled six.

Featherweight: Seiji Asakawa, 125½, impressively kayoed Taishi Saito, 125¾, at 1:57 of the third session in a scheduled six. Asakawa, 4-0 with three kayoes, was named Best Boxer of this local tourney.

Junior Lightweight: Shoji Nishida, 129, won a unanimous decision from Yasumitsu Daikoku, 130, six.

Lightweight: Akihiko Kawamura, 133½, outscored Jiro Kashiwabara, 134½, six.

Junior Welterweight: Shigenori Motoi, 138¼, needed just 93 seconds of the first round to run his credentials to 4-0, with as many kayoes, in a scheduled six.

Welterweight: Tatshuhiro Motoi, 145½, kayoed Yutaka Mori, 144½, in 2:18 of the second session in a scheduled six. The winner is 3-0 with two kayoes.

Middleweight: Seiji Yoshida, 154¾, demolished Eiju Otake, 156, at 2:47 of the opening round in a scheduled six.
(09-28-86)

▶**TOKYO—Korakuen Hall**—Having failed to win the WBA flyweight crown from Panamanian Hilario Zapata on April 7, Shuichi Hozumi, 115, returned to ring warfare and scored a onesided decision (100-94, 100-95, 100-96) over Filipino Joseph Radope, also 115, 10.

Hozumi battered his less experienced opponent with combinations in the late rounds though there were no knockdowns.

Hozumi is now 29-4 with eight kayoes.

Mark (Brooks) Horikoshi, 125¼, struggled to win a decision over unheralded Toshimitsu Ano, 125¾ in 10.

Mark had disposed of Japanese bantam kingpin Mitsuo Imazato in six rounds in the semi-windup to the Hamada vs. Arredondo WBC super lightweight title bout.

Brooks, the JBC's fourth ranked featherweight, is a short boxer-puncher with a record of 9-1, including seven kayoes.

Ano fell to 7-4-1 with four kayoes.

Kazuya Kano, 124, chalked up a TKO win over lefty Keiji Koizumi, 123½, at 0:53 of the sixth and final session. The loser's cornerman tossed in the towel.

Teiken Promotions.

Attendance—1,050.
(10-02-86)

▶**OSAKA—Sakuranomiya Skating Rink**—Unbeaten lefty Hideaki Kamishiro, the WBC's 10th ranked flyweight at 116, halted Makoto Sawamura, 115, at 1:59 of the third round in a scheduled 10.

Kamishiro dropped Sawamura with a smashing southpaw left in the first round. He dropped the loser twice more, once each in the second and third rounds. Sawamura was saved by his corner's tossing in the towel.

Kamishiro, now 6-0 with five kayoes, is rumored to be in line for a crack at a world title early next year. His amateur record was 80-18 with 54 kayoes.

Yoshitatsu Nakasato, 130, floored Yoshiteru Uegaki, 129, in the final round, and won a lopsided decision, eight.

Nakasato, now 11-1-1 with three kayoes, and is rated fourth in the junior lightweight class by the JBC.

Teruaki Miyasato, 115, lost on a TKO to Takashi Hirata, 115, at the end of the fourth round, as the former was streaming blood from gashes over the left optic and on the right cheek.

Miyasato, the JBC's fifth ranked flyweight, is now 10-3-1 with three kayoes. He was scheduled to challenge Japanese champ Koji Nishikawa. Hirata improved to 5-7 with three kayoes.

Asahi Hoso TV.

Attendance—1,000.
(10-07-86)

JOE KOIZUMI

PHILIPPINES

▶**MANILA—Eduardo's Supper Club**—Filipino junior featherweight champ Majie Bona, 122, lost his title to Little Bangoyan, 119, via a TKO at 1:00 of the ninth round in a scheduled 12. Danny Rodenas refereed.

Amado Cabato, 125, TKO'd Jun Tito, 126½, at 2:34 of the eighth round in a scheduled 10. Onofre Perez refereed.

Emil Romano, 113, kayoed Gil Lucban, 112, in 2:51 of the fourth session in a scheduled eight.

Edgar Capino, 105, outscored Joel Rivilla, 105, in the six-round opener.

Promoter—Zander Kahn.

GAB witnesses—Vedasto C. Adriano, Carlos Roman.
(07-04-86)

▶**MANILA—University of Life Stadium**—WBA flyweight champion Hilario Zapata, 112, kept his crown with a unanimous decision over previously unbeaten Dodie Boy Penalosa, the IBF junior flyweight kingpin at 111, 15. Stanley Christodoulou (South Africa) refereed.

Judges—Fritz Werner, Lou Tabat, Bernie Soto.

Cisco Ferrer, the GAB's third ranked junior welterweight at 142, eked out a split decision over Nilo Acido, 136, in the semi-final 10. Vic Valdez refereed.

Joe Hiyas, 121½, unanimously decisioned Ernie Sanico, also 121½, 10.

Rolando Bohol, the GAB's fourth ranked flyweight at 111, took a unanimous duke over Rey Cogonon, 113, 10.

Pretty Boy Lucas, 108, won from Jun Alterejos, 109, 10.

Rodel Merano, 121½, TKO'd Jun Gavero, 122, in the fourth round of a scheduled eight.

Flash Albert, 122, unanimously beat Jimmy Santos, 123½, six.

There were also five four-round bouts.

Galorde Enterprises.

GAB witnesses—Voltaire Reverente, Benedicto Ronquillo.
(07-05-86)

▶**ISABELA, BASILAN PROVINCE**—Ben Carpila, 128, won a majority decision over Donie Evangelio, 128, six.

That was the only fight on this card.

Promoter—Lorenzo Badelles.
(07-08-87)

▶**OLONGAPO CITY**—Pablo Pepito, 126, the GAB's seventh ranked junior feather-weight, pounded out a unanimous technical decision over Juanito Pabila, also 126, in the eighth round of a scheduled 10. Vic Valdez refereed.

Eric Chavez, 110, outpointed Arsenio Perez, 112, 10.

Alfonso Sicat, 120, decisioned Lorenzo Pormanes, also 120, 10.

Promoter—Grego Garcia.

GAB witnesses—Dr. Jovencio Cruz, Rodrigo D. Perez.
(07-09-86)

▶**CALOOCAN, METRO MANILA**—Bobby Rinos, 119½, won a majority decision over Bonnie Castillo, 121, 10. Vir Abainza refereed.

Felly Enero, 116, stopped Capino, Jr., 115, at 0:55 of the fourth session in a scheduled 10.

Faustino Simbajon, 111, won a unanimous duke over Ric Santiago, 113½, 10.

Leo Dozal, 119, outpointed Danny Espirito, 119, 10.

Promoter—Josolito Carpio.

GAB witnesses—Vedasto C. Adriano, Leonardo Trinidad.
(07-12-86)

▶**LUTOPAN-TOREDO, CEBU**—Jaunito Alferez, 133, won a unanimous decision over Don Evangelio, 135, eight.

Ranulfo Kelencion, 112, won a majority nod over Ross Canedo, 113, six.

Promoter—Esau Villagonzalo.

GAB witness—Leonardo R. Angel.
(07-14-86)

▶**METRO MANILA—Rizal Memorial Coliseum**—Ernie Cataluna, Filipino bantamweight titlist at 118, kept his crown by stopping Boy Lou Perez, 117, at 0:57 of the fifth session in a scheduled 12. Vic Valdez refereed. Cataluna lost a hairline verdict to OPBF champ Ki-Youl Kang in his previous bout.

Tacy Macalos, 110, TKO'd Titing Dignos, 111, at 0:35 of the fourth round in a scheduled 10.

Boy Blanca, 116, won a unanimous nod over Jun Resma, 117, 10. Resma, the WBC's 29th contender, was formerly the Filipino champ, Blanca overpowered his older opponent.

Elmer Leonardo, 136, pounded out a unanimous decision over Freddie Panerl 132½, 10.

Rene Aroy, 129, stopped Flash de los Reyes, 128½, at 2:03 of the sixth session in their scheduled 10.

Fernando Ang, 127, halted Brix Rota, 125 at 2:54 of the second session in a scheduled eight.

Promoter—Arturo Gayetano.

gab witnesses—Benedicto Ronquillo, Carlos Dizon.
(07-16-86)

▶**OZAMIS CITY**—Mac Espanola, 123, was held to a majority draw by Gerson Brago, 122½, 10.

Ely Clamahoy, 118, lost a unanimous decision to Zaldy Baguio, 117¼, 10.

Promoter—Roberto Yabut.
(07-16-86)

▶**BAGUIO CITY**—John Matienza, 122¼, Filipino featherweight champ, won a majority decision over Momong Mana-ay, 125½, 10. S. Abainza refereed.

Elmer Pendog, 140, won a majority duke over Bert Lozano, 139½, 10.

Bert Pucay, 124, won a majority decision over Danilo Contado, 122, 10.

Baby Pio Kaki, 134¼, unanimously decisioned veteran Ronald Sumalis, 131, 10.

Danny Adangla, 131, won a split decision over Diego Lebante, 131, 10.

Mike Danglose, 125, outscored Wilson Rigo, 121, six.

Bert Chan Bumatt, 110¾, outpointed Elmer Guevarra, 110, six.

Promoter—Raffy Panagan.

GAB witnesses—Carlos Roman, Rodrigo Perez.
(09-19-86)

▶**CEBU CITY—Cebu Coliseum**—Joe Guevarra, 124½, pounded out a unanimous nod over Ernid Sanico, 124½, 10. Luciano Babiera, Jr. refereed.

Emil Alferez, 123, fought to a split draw with Poker Pelegarino, 123½, 10.

Jun Cedeno, 113, unanimously decisioned Simson Tana, 113, eight.

The Guevara-Sanico bout is still in controversy. One of the GAB officials saw some colored liquid being given to Guevarra before the start of the fourth round. The fight was continued, the

decision going to Guevarra.
Promoter—Lino H. Regner.
GAB witness—P.O. Pangilinan.
(07-19-86)

▶**NADUNGHULAN, ORMOC CITY**—Rudy Patalinghug, 126, won a unanimous decision over Jojo Cayson, also 126, 10. Meises Cantoja refereed.

Al Tan Lee, 115, won a majority decision over Randolf Helension, 115, 10.
Promoter—Antonio Perez.
GAB witness—Julio B. Galdoza.
(07-19-86)

▶**LEGASPI CITY**—Richard Agbay, 125, knocked out Anthony Paloso, 125, in the ninth round of a scheduled 10. Vic Valdez, refereed.

Leon Collins, 121, unanimously decisioned Zaldy Mira, 121, six.

Rudy Aringo, 126, decisioned Romeo Olazo, 126, six.
Promoter—Richardo Sacay.
GAB witnesses—Voltaire Reverente, Emmanuel Flores.
(07-27-86)

▶**PARANAQUE, METRO MANILA—Elorde Sports Complex**—Joseph Ladipe, 118¼, won a unanimous decision over Orlando Gutierrez, 117, 10. Valeriano Deocariza refereed.

Edel Geronimo, 115, fought to a majority draw with Ric Bajelot, 117, 10.

Jun Llano, 120, TKO'd Lorenzo Formanes, 119, at 1:15 of the eighth session in a scheduled 10.

Roger Pilapil, 114, stopped Ed Danao, 114, in the eighth round of the first 10.

Billy Endrena, 119, decisioned Leo Dozal, 124, eight.
Promoter—Laura S. Elorde.
GAB witnesses—Leonardo Trinidad, Voltaire Reverente.

▶**CAGAYAN DE ORO CITY—Gold City Coliseum**—Filipino lightweight champ Jongjong Pacquing, 135, successfully kept his title for the first time as he chalked up a fine TKO over Amy Pacana, also 135, in the seventh round of a scheduled 12. Tomas Estrella refereed.

Jun Arbas, 124, decisioned Mac Espanola, 122, 10.

Roger Gamayot, 108, unanimously outscored Sonny Vidal, 107, 10.

Joselito Castro, 112, won from Jun Torregosa, 111, six.
Promoter—Jesse Abrea.
GAB witness—Julio B. Caldoa.
(08-02-86)

▶**PASAY—Pasay Sports Complex**—Flash Emmanuel, 122½, won a unanimous decision over Rey Arceta, 123, 10. V. Deocariza refereed.

Elmer Leonardo, 135, fought to a split draw with Pastor Arcaya, also 135, 10. Vic Valdez refereed.

Al Duran, 136½, unanimously outscored Leonardo Calmona, 136½, 10. Danny Rodenas refereed.

Jun Rico, 119½, earned a majority nod over Wilson Apurado, 119½, six.

Joe Labrador, 120½, won from Wilson Rigo, 121½, six.

Nilo Endic, 111, outpointed Roger de Rama, 110, six.

Diego Onglao, 112, eked out a split decision over Romeo Oproasa, 111, six.

Ruebn Daganan, 112, outscored Pedro Sorio, also 112, four.

Rolando Pascua, 112½, decisioned Eddie Dulay, also 112½, four.
Promoter—Pee Wee Vasquez.
GAB witness—Rodrigo D. Perez.
(08-03-86)

▶**MIS. ORO.—Initao Cockpit**—Jun Generale, 108, fought a unanimous draw with Danny Mapalad, 108, 10. George del Rosario refereed.

Blackie Pokie, 164, won a split decision over Fred Tadena, 140, six.
Promoter—Monico Galarpe.
GAB witness—Danilo Y. Waban.
(08-09-86)

▶**NATUBLING, BENGUET**—Bernabe Aliping, 131, unanimously decisioned Richard Agbay, 131, 10. A. Guanzo refereed.

Tomas Jardenil, 117, TKO'd Ronnie Canelas, 117, at 2:35 of the fourth round in a scheduled six.

Little Crismar, 112, unanimously decisioned Little Dandy, also 112, four.
Promoter—Tomas Arsenio.
GAB witnesses—Carlos Roman, Vedasto Adriano.
(08-10-86)

▶**ASUNCION, DAVAO**—Ric Barimbad, 116, and Tim Balantay, 115, battled to a split draw, 10. Satur Yongco refereed.

Ben Capagngan, 122, stopped Boy Posadas, also 122, in the fourth round of a scheduled 10.

Pablo Hoyle, 110, drew with Triffom Rorralba, 110, 10.

Posadas Randy, 114, TKO'd Lito Ybanes, 115, in the first round of a scheduled four.

Ding Aroy, 119, stopped Moudee Lluper, 119, in the opening session in a scheduled four.
Promoter—Eusebio Almario, Jr.
GAB witness—Jaime P. Mata.
(08-13-86)

▶**QUEZON CITY**—Veteran Geroin Porras, 132, was awarded a majority nod over Diego Lebante, 131, 10. Vic Valdez refereed.

Herbert Aragon, 124½, TKO'd Cesar Layosa, 124½, in the second round of a scheduled 10.

Diego Onglao, 112, won from Ric Bundaog, 111, six.

Romeo Orpiasa, 113, won from Jerry Flores, 112, six.

Concon Duran, 119, TKO'd Elysser Dalud, 118, in four.
Promoter—Grego Garcia.
GAB witnesses—Rodrigo Perez, Leonardo Trinidad.
(08-15-86)

▶**CAGAYAN DE ORO CITY—Gold City Coliseum**—Little Baguio, 111, won a majority decision over Mario Parcon, also 111, 10. Tomas Estrella refereed.

Pat Bracero, 116, TKO'd Ely Clamohoy, 116, in the seventh session of a scheduled 10.

Bonifacio Bahian, 109, unanimously decisioned Jun Generales, 109, 10. Fiscal Puro Velez refereed.

WORLD RATINGS
BY THE INT. BOXING FEDERATION
(As of October 2, 1986)

HEAVYWEIGHTS
Champion
Michael Spinks (U.S.)
1. Tony Tucker (U.S.)
2. Tony Tubbs (U.S.)
3. James Smith (U.S.)
4. Carl Williams (U.S.)
5. James Douglas (U.S.)
6. James Broad (U.S.)
7. Mike Tyson (U.S.)
8. Gerry Cooney (U.S.)
9. Tyrell Biggs (U.S.)
10. Renaldo Snipes (U.S.)
11. Elijah Tillery (U.S.)
12. Steffan Tangstad (Norway)

CRUISERWEIGHTS
Champion
Lee Roy Murphy (U.S.)
1. Ricky Parkey (U.S.)
2. Bernard Benton (U.S.)
3. Boone Pultz (U.S.)
4. Dwight M. Qawi (U.S.)
5. Bert Cooper (U.S.)
6. Dorcey Gaymon (U.S.)
7. Alfonzo Ratliff (U.S.)
8. Chisanda Mutti (Zambia)
9. Henry Tillman (U.S.)
10. Bashiru Ali (U.S.)
11. Angelo Rottoli (Italy)
12. Jose Flores (Uruguay)

LIGHT HEAVYWEIGHTS
Champion
Bobby Czyz (U.S.)
1. John Odhiambo (Uganda)
2. Slobodan Kacar (Yugoslavia)
3. Willie Edwards (U.S.)
4. Leslie Stewart (Trinidad)
5. Charles Williams (U.S.)
6. J.B. Williamson (U.S.)
7. David Sears (U.S.)
8. Mustafa Muhammad (U.S.)
9. Richard Caramonolis (France)
10. Alex Blanchard (Netherlands)
11. Eddie Davis (U.S.)
12. Kelvin Kelly (U.S.)

SUPER MIDDLEWEIGHTS
Champion
Chong-Pal Park (Korea)
1. Lindell Holmes (U.S.)
2. Don LaLonde (Canada)
3. Mustafa Hamsho (U.S.)
4. Marvin Mack (U.S.)
5. Frank Winterstein (France)
6. Errol Christie (Great Britain)
7. Luigi Minchillo (Italy)
8. Vinnie Curto (U.S.)
9. Charles Walker (U.S.)
10. Everett Martin (U.S.)
11. Nicky Walker (U.S.)
12. Mark Kaylor (Great Britain)

MIDDLEWEIGHTS
Champion
Marvin Hagler (U.S.)
1. Thomas Hearns (U.S.)
2. James Kinchen (U.S.)
3. John Mugabi (Uganda)
4. Robbie Sims (U.S.)
5. Iran Barkley (U.S.)
6. Michael Olajide (Canada)
7. Herol Graham (Great Britain)
8. Michael Nunn (U.S.)
9. Kevin Watts (U.S.)
10. Sumbu Kalambay (Italy)
11. Don Lee (U.S.)
12. Troy Darrell (U.S.)

JUNIOR MIDDLEWEIGHTS
Champion
Buster Drayton
1. Matthew Hilton (Canada)
2. In-Chul Baek (Korea)
3. Carlos Santos (Puerto Rico)
4. Donald Curry (U.S.)
5. Duane Thomas (U.S.)
6. Davey Moore (U.S.)
7. Milton McCrory (U.S.)
8. Said Skouma (France)
9. Julian Jackson (Virgin Islands)
10. Lupe Aquino (U.S.)
11. Mark Medal (U.S.)
12. John David Jackson (U.S.)

WELTERWEIGHTS
Champion
Lloyd Honeyghan (Great Britain)
1. Johnny Bumphus (U.S.)
2. Marlon Starling (U.S.)
3. Tommy Ayers (U.S.)
4. Maurice Blocker (U.S.)
5. Jun-Sok Hwang (Korea)
6. David Hilton (Canada)
7. Simon Brown (U.S.)
8. Mark Breland (U.S.)
9. Yung-Kil Chung (Korea)
10. Tyrone Trice (U.S.)
11. Horace Shufford (U.S.)
12. Miguel Arroyo (Argentina)

JUNIOR WELTERWEIGHTS
Champion
Gary Hinton (U.S.)
1. Joe Louis Manley (U.S.)
2. Kyung-Duk Ahn (Korea)
3. Frankie Warren (U.S.)
4. Eung-Shik Kim (Korea)
5. Reyes Cruz (Dominican Rep.)
6. Terry Marsh (Great Britain)
7. Akio Kameda (Japan)
8. John Wesley Meekins (U.S.)
9. James (Buddy) McGirt (U.S.)
10. Brian Baronet (U.S.)
11. Andy Nance (U.S.)
12. Rene Arredondo (Mexico)

LIGHTWEIGHTS
Champion
Jimmy Paul (U.S.)
1. Juan Nazario (Puerto Rico)
2. Terrence Alli (U.S.)
3. Frankie Randall (U.S.)
4. Fred Pendleton (U.S.)
5. Darryl Tyson (U.S.)
6. Livingstone Bramble (U.S.)
7. Vincent Pazienza (U.S.)
8. Meldrick Taylor (U.S.)
9. Pernell Whitaker (U.S.)
10. Irleis (Cubanito) Perez (U.S.)
11. Miguel Santana (Puerto Rico)
12. Gert Bo Jacobson (Denmark)

JUNIOR LIGHTWEIGHTS
Champion
Barry Michael (Australia)
1. Sung-Yun Kim (Korea)
2. Johnny de la Rosa (U.S.)
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7. Lulu Ikeda (Japan)
8. Chung-Won Chung (Korea)
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10. Lester Ellis (Australia)
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Champion
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1. Kwon Churl (Korea)
2. Calvin Grove (U.S.)
3. Ki-Yung Chung (Korea)
4. Min-Keun Oh (Korea)
5. Tyrone Downes (Trinidad)
6. Richard Savage (U.S.)
7. Barry McGuigan (Great Britain)
8. Bernard Taylor (U.S.)
9. Jae-Yong Hwang (Korea)
10. Jose Marmolejo (Panama)
11. Bobby Berna (Philippines)
12. Marcos Villasana (Mexico)

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Champion
Ji-Won Kim (Korea)
1. Prayurasak Muangsurin (Thailand)
2. Loris Stecca (Italy)
3. Greg Richardson (U.S.)
4. Seung-Hoon Lee (Korea)
5. Yun-Kap Choi (Korea)
6. Joo-Do Chun (Korea)
7. Chan-Yung Park (Korea)
8. Yong-Woon Park (Korea)
9. Daniel Blanco (Colombia)
10. Louie Espinoza (U.S.)
11. Ramon Dominguez (Argentina)
12. Tommy Valoy (Dominican Rep.)

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Champion
Jeff Fenech (Australia)
1. Hurley Snead (U.S.)
2. Ki-Yul Kang (Korea)
3. Antoine Montero (France)
4. Chong-Kwan Chung (Korea)
5. Francisco Alvarez (Columbia)
6. Miguel Maturana (Columbia)
7. Kelvin Seabrooks (U.S.)
8. Jorge Diaz (U.S.)
9. Azael Moran (Panama)
10. Jesus Salud (U.S.)
11. Steve McCrory (U.S.)
12. Frankie Duarte (U.S.)

JUNIOR BANTAMWEIGHTS
Champion
Elly Pical (Indonesia)
1. Tae-Il Chang (Korea)
2. Soon-Chun Kwon (Korea)
3. Ki-Chang Kim (Korea)
4. Cesar Polanco (Dominican Rep.)
5. Juan Polo Perez (Columbia)
6. Alain Limarola (France)
7. Franco Cherchi (Italy)
8. Raul Diaz (Colombia)
9. Satoshi Shingaki (Japan)
10. Sugar Baby Rojas (Colombia)
11. Dong-Choon Lee (Korea)
12. William Ramos (Puerto Rico)

FLYWEIGHTS
Champion
Hi-Sup Shin (Korea)
1. Frank Cedeno (Philippines)
2. Jung-Kwan Chung (Korea)
3. Fidel Bassa (Colombia)
4. Bi-Wong Chung (Korea)
5. Orlando Bohol (Philippines)
6. Henry Brent (U.S.)
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8. Rae-Ki Ahn (Korea)
9. Mikio Uchita (Japan)
10. Thanosak Singbobe (Thailand)
11. Oh-Kong Son (Korea)
12. Javier Lucas (Mexico)

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Championship
Vacant
1. Jun-Hwan Choi (Korea)
2. Cho-Woon Park (Korea)
3. Rodolfo Blanco (Colombia)
4. Agustin Garcia (Colombia)
5. Isidro Perez (Mexico)
6. Dodie Penalosa (Philippines)
7. Rex Ikeda (Japan)
8. Virgilio Chifundo (Panama)
9. Mario DeMarco (Argentina)
10. Jae-Suk Park (Korea)
11. Masaharu Kawakami (Japan)
12. Benedicto Murillo (Panama)

Joselito Castro, 112, TKO'd Arnold Solitario, 112, in the fifth session of a scheduled eight.
Elmer Cainoy, 120, stopped Dodong de la Rosa, 120, in the fifth canto of a scheduled six.
Promoter—Antonio Almirante.
GAB witness—Julio B. Caldoza.
(08-16-86)

▶**PARANAQUE—Elorde Sports Complex**—Jun Alitarejos, 110, pounded out a unanimous decision over Ariel Samson, 110, 10. Major V. Deocariza refereed.
Saturnino Sebelina, 123, won a majority nod over Leo Ero, 122½, six.
Mar Silao, 105½, fought to a technical draw with Joel Revilla, 107, at 1:25 of the second round in a scheduled four.
Renato Alberto, 124 won from Virgilio Avila, 127, four.
Salvador Fronda, 104½, decisioned Oscar Casiuo, 106¾, four.
Wilfredo Mendoza, 119, outscored Joel Bajadia, 122, four.
Promoter—Laura S. Elorde.
GAB witnesses—Voltair Reverente, Carlos Roman.
(08-16-86)

▶**QUEZON CITY—Trinity College**—Faustino Simbajon, 112, was held to a technical draw by Ed Hemo, 112, in the first round of a scheduled 10.
All Llanita, 128½, unanimously decisioned Eddie Camero, 130, 10.
Ronald Sumalis, ex-Filipino champ at 130½, TKO'd Eugenio Nardo, Jr., 132½, at 0:57 of the eight round in a scheduled 10.
Jule Flores, 129, knocked out orestes Rapsing, 128½, in 1:50 of the first round in a scheduled six.
Ador Unisto, 123½, decisioned Jimmy Santos, 124¼, six.
George Jardenil, 129, TKO'd Jimmy Oroc, 127¾, in the opening session of a scheduled four.
Boyet Ortega, 120½, fought to a split draw with Geeny Pinos, 122½, four.
Lito Odiaman, 107½, drew with Ruben Portuguez, 112½, four.
Joseph Baljob, 107, outscored Max Forrosuelo, 105, four.
Lord Mariano, 120, beat Fernando Udtohan, 121, on points in the first four.
In spite of flood, some 600 fans attended.
Promoter—Rolando Evangelista.
GAB witnesses—Benedicto Ronquillo, Carlos Roman.
(08-16-86)

▶**ILOILO CITY—San Agustin Gym**—Elmer Cubillas, 123½, eked out a split nod Emiliano Alferes, 122¾, 10. E. Villar refereed.
Rey Tarosa, 115, took a unanimous duke over Kid Kanashiro, 115, 10.
Jessie Dariagan 132½, TKO'd Edmar Cordova, 132, in the fifth round of their scheduled 10.
Promoter—Rolando D. Magahin.
GAB's witness—Leandro P. Halili, Jr.
(08-16-86)

▶**QUEZON CITY**—Al Llanita, 128½, won a unanimous decision over Eddie Camero, 130, 10.
Promoter—Rolando Evangelista.
(08-16-86)

▶**MANIKI, KAPALONG, DAVAO**—Gil Ragas, 120, scored a unanimous decision over Samuel Idulsa, also 120, 10. Saur Yongco refereed.
Sil Arcillas, 147, beat Erning Qeroben, also 147, on points, 10.
Roger Sumampong, 113, decisioned Mel Fare, 114, 10.
Gerry Allawan, 115, drew with Ding Aroy, 116, four.
Promoter—Teofilo Perote.
GAB witness—Jaime P. Mata.
(08-20-86)

▶**PARANAQUE—Elorde Sports Complex**—Joe Hiyas, 123½, won a unanimous decision over Leon Collins, 123, 10. Vic Valdez refereed.
Boy Granciosa, 123, unanimously decisioned Carlos Castigador, 122¼, 10.
Rodrigo Altarejos, 121½, won from Sammy Ansig, 124½, six.
Bobby Arcillas, 112, won over Elmer Guevarra, 112, six.
Rey Esteller, 148, stopped Danny Felomeno, 114½, at 0:26 of the third round in a scheduled six.
Homer Munda, 125, outscored William Alunday, 126, four.
Promoter—Laura S. Elorde.
GAB witness—Vedasto C. Adriano.
(08-20-86)

▶**CEBU—La Gallera de Minglanilla**—Poker Pelegrino, 122½, chalked up a TKO win over Ernie Sanico, 125, in the fourth round of a scheduled 10. Engineer L. Babiera, Jr. refereed.
Simson Tana, 111, took a majority decision over Ross Canedo, 114, eight.
Ranulfo Melencion, 113, unanimously outscored Arnold Lumando, 116¾, six.
Boy Dignos, 106½, decisioned Danilo Siaton, 111¼, six.
Promoter—Eddie Abellana.
GAB witness—Perfecto O. Pangilinan.
(08-22-86)

▶**GENERAL SANTOS CITY—Parish Center**—Rolando Protacio, 110, won a majority nod over Joseph Galagaran, also 110, 10. Eddie Siasico, referee.
Nestor Pagaran, 116, TKO'd Rey Paciones, 114, in the eighth round of their scheduled 10.
Nick Ampong, 116, took a majority nod over Nelson Yacapin, also 116, 10.
Jun Dolor, 115, Stopped Robert Balazuela, 114, in the sixth round of another scheduled 10.
Roger Enoc, 110, won from Anthony Rendiza, 109, eight.
Leo Donaire, 116, drew with Fred Ruelo, 116, six.
Allan More, 107, won from Roger Velarde, 109, in the third round of a scheduled four.
Jonathan Ballerda, 110, lost a decision to Kin Java, 108, four.
Promoter—Benjamin Aguirre.
GAB witness—Jaime P. Mata.
(08-23-86)

▶**BAGUIO CITY**—Sammy Baculong, 112½, stopped Tony Ducay, Jr., 112, at 2:39 of the eighth round in a scheduled 10.
Fel Salvador, 130, won from Baby Rio Kaki, 132, 10.
Louie Ilago, 130½, took a split duke over Albert Saxon, 132, 10.
Ric Bajelot, 115½, unanimously decisioned Ramon Ohan, 117, 10.
Tony Agalatiw, 122, unanimously decisioned Gil Lucban, 116, 10.
Kid Ramirez, 116, outpointed Roy Valentino, 116, eight.
Steve Ronan, 109, TKO'd Bert Chan Bumahit, 113, at 2:08 of the first round in a scheduled six.
Tharjon Miro, 114, stopped Juan Baguitin, 116, at 2:52 of the opening session in a scheduled four.
Joseph Chan, 121, won over Ruben Camass, 126, on a TKO at 1:03 of the second round in their scheduled four.
Promoter—Mike Maspil.
GAB witnesses—Carlos Dizon, Benedicto Ronquillo.
(08-23-86)

▶**GENERAL SANTO CITY**—Loremaer Pontino, 117, won a unanimous decision over Boy Blanca, 114½, 10.
Edgar Apatan, 125, lost to Emiliano Alferes, 123, via a split decision 10.
Boy Ligas, 130½ outpointed Carlos Parcia, 135, 10.
Jessie Cambangay, 114, was TKO'd by Flash Marino, 114, in the fourth round of their scheduled 10.
Jerry Duran, 120, drew with Danny Ortega, 120, 10.
Rudy Castillon, 120, stopped Adonis Cuaresma, 119, in the eighth session of another scheduled 10.
Simon Salvadosa, 116, lost to Joe Surdilla, 116, six.
Promoter—Natividad Cabreros.
GAB witness—Romeo Fordaliza.
(08-30-86)

▶**DAVAO DEL NORTE**—Jun Afabli, 104½, scored a TKO over Nick Dalisay, 104, in the eighth round of a scheduled 12.
Chito Adigue, 129½ lost to Rene Aroy, 129, 10.
Kid Tavera, 120, stopped Jun Peres, 120½, in the second session of a scheduled 10.
Romy Ceniza, 110, was TKO'd by Efren Beclar, 114, in the sixth round of scheduled 10.
Bimbo Canaya, 128, won a unanimous nod over Modesto Masankay, 128, eight.
Geoffrey Geconcillo, 110, lost to Ricky Flor, 110, four.
Promoter—Eusebio Almario, Jr.
GAB's witness—Jaime P. Mata.
(08-30-86)

▶**VALENCIA, BUKIDNON**—Roger Gamayot, 109, TKO'd Sonny Aldemir, also 109, in the fourth session, of a scheduled 10.
William Belan, 108, stopped Danny Mapalad, 108, in the third round of their scheduled 10.
Al Balaba, 118, won from Young Depio, 118, 10.
Promoter—Engineer Neptali T. Bopkingo.
GAB witness—Julio B. Caldoza.
(08-31-86)

▶**SAN FERNANDO, PAMPANGA**—Eddie Camero, 132, eked out a split nod over Romy Cunanan, 132, 10. Vir Abainza refereed.
Mike de Guzman, 146, took a unanimous verdict over Fred Galang, 147, 10.
Promoter—Antonio Esguerra.
GAB witnesses—Leonardo Trinidad, Voltaire Reverente.
(0-8-31-86)

▶**CAGAYAN DE ORO CITY—Gold City Coliseum**—Jun Arbas, 125¾, managed to win a majority nod over Jojo Cayson, 127¾, 10. Dodong Artajo refereed.
Promoter—Bonifacio Jadap.
GAB witness—Danilo Y. Waban.
(08-31-86)

(This reporter expresses his great gratitudes for the cooperation of the new GAB (Games and Amusements Board of the Phillippines).

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THAILAND

▶**BANGKOK—Lumpinee Stadium**—Vathasak Sathiragym, 114, the Thai Commission's eighth ranked junior bantamweight, won a split decision over Theeraphan Sithborvorn, 114, six. The crowd jeered the verdict.
(08-01-86)

▶**BANGKOK—Lumpinee Stadium**—On the Channel 7 daytime program, Surasith Meeprasert, 120, won a unanimous nod over Rakchai Kiatsonthaya, 123, six.
On the night card, Thanjai Kiathavatchai, 112, won a unanimous decision over Silpa Chaichanarungraung, 112, six.
(08-02-86)

▶**BANGKOK—Rajadamnern Stadium**—Patt Ohyuthanakorn, 107, retained his Thai junior flyweight title with a majority decision over Kairung Lukphayom, 108, 10. The scores were 98-97, 97-96, and 97-97.
(08-11-86)

▶**BANGKOK—Lumpinee Stadium**—Tepratoom Eakchatching, 116, the TBC's number one junior bantamweight contender, dropped Sombutr Ursampun, also 116, the TBC's fourth ranked bantam, in the third round and won a unanimous decision, six. Tepratoom, now 8-0, is ranked eighth by the OPBF.
(08-12-86)

▶**BANGKOK—Rajadamnern Stadium**—Kaokor Galaxy, 119, the Thai bantamweight champ, scored a TKO over Nakarach Kiatsonthaya, 119½, due to the latter's bleeding from the mouth, in the fifth round of a scheduled 10. Kaokor's national title was not at stake.
(08-13-86)

▶**BANGKOK—Lumpinee Stadium**—On the Channel 7 daytime card, Roj Sornrama (Narongthavat Nabumrung), the TBC's fourth ranked junior flyweight at 111, was knocked out by unheralded Charn Sithchansak, 110, in the fifth round of a scheduled six. Quite an upset.
Roj, a sparring partner for Sot Chitalada, dropped his unknown opponent in the second round before suffering the unexpected knockout. Charn is now 5-0 with four kayoes.
(08-16-86)

▶**BANGKOK—Rajadamnern Stadium**—Surasith Meeprasert, 123, the TBC's second ranked junior bantamweight, won a unanimous decision over Thai featherweight champ Ayuthaya Sithphakamron, 125, six.
(08-18-86)

▶**BANGKOK—Lumpinee Stadium**—Sirimongkol Temudom, 105, the TBC's sixth ranked mini-flyweight, tasted his first defeat at the hands of unknown Monsak Setiyongym, 104—via a second round knockout in a scheduled six. Monsak is now 3-0 with three kayoes. Sirimongkol is 8-1 with two kayoes.
(08-19-86)

▶**BANGKOK—Rajadamnern Stadium**—The upsets continued. Thai junior lightweight champ Thevin Narchavat, 133, dropped a unanimous decision to veteran Jimmy Sithfaidang, 130, six. Narchavat was floored for a nine-count in round five.
(08-20-86)

▶**BANGKOK—Rajadamnern Stadium**—Up-and-coming Chen Rungrong, 130, won a unanimous nod over Kongnapha Singthorchao, 128, six.
Chen, the TBC's top junior lightweight contender, is now 10-1 with eight kayoes.
(08-21-86)

▶**BANGKOK—Lumpinee Stadium**—Dawnrung Technic Utraradit, 112, won an upset decision over Phisit Rungroj, 112, six.
(08-22-86)

▶**BANGKOK—Lumpinee Stadium**—Pramoth Chuvatana, the Thai top ranked mini-flyweight at 115, stopped Kaopongnoi Sor Thaveerat, 112, in the second round of a scheduled six. Kaopongnoi is now 0-6 this year. All of those defeats have been by kayo.
(08-23-86)

▶**BANGKOK—Rajadamnern Stadium**—Srikun Narachavat, 128, the TBC's number eight junior lightweight, won a split decision over Dejumnuen Singthanongsak, 127, the Thai top junior featherweight contender, six.
Srikun is now 3-0.
(08-25-86)

▶**BANGKOK—Rajadamnern Stadium**—Sakad Petchyindee, 135, won the vacant Thai lightweight title by demolishing Pansaknoi Kiatkaisor, 134, in 0:56 of the second round in a scheduled 10.
(08-27-86)

▶**BANGKOK—Rajadamnern Stadium**—Trung Sithsery, 105, halted Fahnoi Sithfahcamron, 107, in the first round of a scheduled six.
(08-28-86)

▶**BANGKOK—Lumpinee Stadium**—Thamil Sithseemork, the TBC's fourth ranked junior bantamweight at 116, won a shutout unanimous decision over Phansak S. Kiatphotong, 115, six.
(08-30-86)

▶**BANGKOK**—WBC flyweight champ Sot Chitalada stopped Korean Moon-Jin Choi in the ninth round of a scheduled 10-round non-title bout.
Unbeaten Rocky Chitalada, the TBC's second ranked bantamweight, ran his perfect log to 14-0 (all kayoes) by stopping Ho-Hyun Kim, the KBC's third ranked 118-pounder, in the sixth canto in a scheduled 10. The deaf and mute Thai has devastating power in his hands.
(08-30-86)

▶**BANGKOK—Rajadamnern Stadium**—Eak Donjadee, the TBC's top ranked flyweight at 122, stopped Chokdee Sithfahcamron, 124, in the second round of a scheduled six.
(08-31-86)

▶**BANGKOK—Lumpinee Stadium**—Thunjai Kiatthavatchai, the TBC's third ranked mini-flyweight at 109, floored Taksin Kiatsarakam, 112, for a count of nine in the second round and won a split decision, six.
(09-02-86)

▶**BANGKOK—Rajadamnern Stadium**—Thanomsak Singboebae, 113½, stopped Pratip Savadivaree, 117, in the second round of a scheduled six. Thanomsak is the OPBF's top contender. This was his tune-up go in preparation for a OPBF eliminator with Ambari Sanusi, Indonesian titlist, for the vacant crown. Former champ Hi-Sup Shin, Korea, having become the IBF world kingpin, gave up his OPBF laurels.
Thanomsak is still unbeaten, with a record of 10-0 with four kayoes.
(09-04-86)

▶**BANGKOK—Lumpinee Stadium**—Singnoi Singkrungthon, Thai bantamweight champ at 120, returned from Korea, where he failed to win the OPBF crown from Ki-Chang Kim, and easily finished smaller Pronmongkol H. Mahachai, 115, at 0:56 of the first round in a scheduled six.
Singnoi is now 21-6-1 with 10 kayoes.
(09-05-86)

▶**BANGKOK—Lumpinee Stadium**—Chan Sithcharnsak, 111, disposed of Chokdde Orpaseecharern, 110, in the second round of a scheduled six.
Chan is now 6-0 with five kayoes.
(09-06-86)

▶**BANGKOK—Rajadamnern Stadium**—Thavat Kiatpaungjinda, the TBC's fourth ranked mini-flyweight at 114, dropped an upset decision to Noree Jockygym, 114, six. Thavat had to lose three pounds in order to make the contract weight, which seems to have weakened him.
(09-08-86)

▶**BANGKOK—Lumpinee Stadium**—Kongthoranee Phayakaroon, highly rated by both the WBA and WBC, 117, found it easy to demolish Korean Yun-Ho Park, 115, in the third round of a scheduled 10. Kongthoranee, 9-0 with seven knockouts, was formerly the champion in three classes in *Muay-Thai* (Thai national kick-boxing). He will have a crack at the WBC world super flyweight throne, now held by Gilberto Roman, Mexico on November 18 here in Bangkok.
(09-09-86)

▶**BANGKOK—Lumpinee Stadium**—Somboonyos Sing samang, 120, Thai top bantamweight contender, easily finished Kiatchai Kiatsonthaya, in the second round of a scheduled six.
(09-13-86)

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▶**BANGKOK—Lumpinee Stadium**—Somboonyos Sing samanang, Thai top bantamweight contender, 120, easily demolished Kiatchai Kiatsonthaya, 118, in the second round of a scheduled six.

Somboonyos is now 26-6-1 with 23 kayoes.

▶**BANGKOK**—Unbeaten Thepratum Eakachatchingchai, 117, ran his log to 9-0 with six kayoes by beating Rakachai Kiatsonthaya, 118, on points, six.
(09-13-86)

▶**BANGKOK—Rajadamnern Stadium**—Surasith Meeprasert, 120, formerly rated in the WBC's top 20, lost an upset decision to Dangnua Kiat R.D. six. Dangnua kept moving and jabbing all the way. Surasith almost downed him in the fourth and sixth rounds, but Dangnua landed good jabs in the other frames.

Dangnua is now 13-6 with five kayoes. Surasith, a talented youngster, failed to win the Thai junior bantam and bantamweight crowns via close decisions in previous contests.
(09-15-86)

▶**BANGKOK—Lumpinee Stadium**—Taksin Muangsurin, an old soldier at 105, made a comeback and stopped Chaidech Kiatthavatchai, 106, in the first round of a scheduled six.
(09-16-86)

▶**BANGKOK—Rajadamnern Stadium**—Jimmy Sithfaidang, sparring partner of WBA junior bantam champ Kaosai Galaxy, 126, became the Thai featherweight champ by stopping Arhuthaya Sithfahkamron, 125 in the fifth round of a scheduled 10.
(09-17-86)

▶**BANGKOK—Rajadamnern Stadium**—Chane Rungroj, 130, an American black man born in Thailand, finished Kwanchai S. Sinanatha, 129, in the second round of a scheduled six. Chane is ranked seventh in the junior lightweight class.

Chane is just 17 years of age. He looks promising.
(09-18-86)

▶**BANGKOK—Lumpinee Stadium**—Thamil Sithsrimok, the TBC's fourth ranked junior bantamweight, managed to take a split decision over Daungdao Kor Sang, 113, six.

Thamil sent Daungdao to the canvas in the third round. The winner was previously known as Thamil Savadivaree.
(09-23-86)

▶**BANGKOK—Rajadamnern Stadium**—Thongthong Chor Saunarnan, 109, reappeared after a long lay off, and lost an upset decision to newcomer Raveenoi Lertravee, 111, six.. Thongthong hit the deck for a count of nine in the second round.
(09-24-86)

▶**BANGKOK—Rajadamnern Stadium**—Kaokor Galaxy, twin brother of WBA junior bantamweight champ Kaosai Galaxy, 118, kept his Thai bantamweight title by stopping Singnoi Singkrungthon, also 118, in the fifth round of a scheduled 10.

Kaokor dropped Singnoi in the second session, and knocked him cold in the fatal round. Singnoi was hospitalized. Kaokor is still unbeaten, 10-0 with eight kayoes.
(09-25-86)

▶**BANGKOK—Lumpinee Stadium**—Kairung Sithpayak, 110, hit the deck but fought back to dispose of Ardeet Sithfahcamron, also 110, in the first round of a scheduled six.
(09-26-86)

▶**BANGKOK—Rajadamnern Stadium**—Pramote Chuvatana, 115, stopped Phayakpoom Singsarakam, also 115, in the second round of a scheduled six.
(09-27-86)

▶**BANGKOK—Lumpinee Stadium**—Daumai Siskordom TKO'd Dejamnuay Singtanonsak in the sixth round of a scheduled 10-round Lumpinee Stadium junior featherweight title bout.

Daumai is now 15-2 with nine kayoes.
(09-28-86)

▶**BANGKOK—Lumpinee Stadium**—Vattanasak Satiragym, 114, stopped Eakachai Singsarakam, 114, in the fourth session of a scheduled six.
(09-30-86)

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PAN PACIFIC

AUSTRALIA

NEW SOUTH WALES

▶**SYDNEY—Entertainment Centre**—Former European heavyweight champion Joe Bugner, 234, returned to action with a unanimous decision over James (Quick) Tillis, 213½, 10. Tillis won the early rounds, as Bugner's two and a half year lay-off showed. As the bout progressed, however, Bugner found his man. He really shook Tillis over the last three sessions, and almost floored him in the eighth. The scores were 99-93, 98-92, and 97-95. *The Ring* scored it 6-2-2, in rounds, for Bugner.

Kevin Barry, 221½, outpointed Niki Degei, 238, Fiji, 10. Degei could have been in better shape.

Australian junior light heavyweight champion Doug Sam, 165½, outscored Joe Nitiva, 162½, Fiji, 10. Good bout.

Former Australian middleweight champion Emmanuel Otti, 171½, knocked out Young Stone, 168¼, Fijki, with one punch in the third round.

Shane Knox, 128½, won a unanimous decision over Rudy Cabiles, also 128½, eight. Knox won by a big margin.

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12. Jose Ribalta (U.S.)
13. Eddie Gregg (U.S.)
14. Jose Adilson Rodrigues (Brazil)
15. James (Buster) Douglas (U.S.)
16. Razor Ruddock (Canada)
17. Mike Weaver (U.S.)
18. David Bey (U.S.)
19. Larry Alexander (U.S.)
20. Marvin Frazier (U.S.)
21. Horace Notice (Great Britain)
22. Mitchell Green (U.S.)
23. Jeff Sims (U.S.)
24. Jesse Ferguson (U.S.)
25. Anders Eklund (Sweden)
26. Francesco Damiani (Italy)
27. George Chaplin (U.S.)
28. Willie de Wit (Canada)
29. Joe Bugner (Great Britain)
30. James (Quick) Tillis (U.S.)

CRUISERWEIGHTS
Champion
Carlos DeLeon (Puerto Rico)
1. Bernard Benton (U.S.)
2. Ricky Parkey (U.S.)
3. Boone Pultz (U.S.)
4. John Odhiambo (Nigeria)
5. Bert Cooper (U.S.)
6. Alfonzo Ratliff (U.S.)
7. Michael Greer (U.S.)
8. Henry Tillman (U.S.)
9. Jose M. Flores (Uruguay)
10. Dorcey Gaymon (U.S.)
11. Chisanda Mutti (Zambia)
12. Prince Mamah Mohammed (Ghana)
13. Bashiru Ali (Nigeria)
14. Osvaldo Ocasio (Puerto Rico)
15. Sammy Reeson (Great Britain)
16. Tony Fulilangi (Tonga)
17. Ralf Rochigiani (Germany)
18. Angelo Rottoli (Italy)
19. Elijah Tillery (U.S.)
20. Angelo Musone (Italy)
21. Anthony Davis (U.S.)
22. Kevin Wagstaff (Australia)
23. Cedric Parsons (Canada)
24. Taoufik Balbouli (Mauritania)
25. Daniel Neto (Argentina)
26. Spencer Davis (U.S.)
27. David Russell (Australia)
28. Michael Arms (U.S.)
29. Tyrone Booze (U.S.)
30. Sylvain Watbled (France)

LIGHT HEAVYWEIGHTS
Champion
Dennis Andries (Great Britain)
1. Eddie Davis (U.S.)
2. Leslie Stewart (Trinidad)
3. Juan D. Roldan (Argentina)
4. Willie Edwards (U.S.)
5. Alex Blanchard (Netherlands)
6. Don LaLonde (Canada)
7. J.B. Williamson (U.S.)
8. Charles Williams (U.S.)
9. Richard Caramanolis (France)
10. Joe Lasisi (Nigeria)
11. Slobodan Kacar (Yugoslavia)
12. Jean Marie Emebe (Cameroon)
13. David Sears (U.S.)
14. Fulgencio Obelmejias (Vez.)
15. Jeff Lampkin (U.S.)
16. Kelvin Kelly (U.S.)
17. Uriah Grant (U.S.)
18. Jim MacDonald (U.S.)
19. Yombo Araka (Cameroon)
20. Nestor Giovannini (Argentina)
21. Graciano Rocchigiani (Germany)
22. Marvin Mack (U.S.)
23. Tarmo Uusivirta (Finland)
24. James Salerno (U.S.)
25. Rui Barbosa Bonfin (Brazil)
26. Everett Martin (U.S.)
27. Arthel Lawhorne (U.S.)
28. Chris Reid (U.S.)
29. Grady Smith (U.S.)
30. James Salcedo (Argentina)

MIDDLEWEIGHTS
Champion
Marvin Hagler (U.S.)
1. Thomas Hearns (U.S.)
2. Herol Graham (Great Britain)
3. Iran Barkley (U.S.)
4. Mark Kaylor (Great Britain)
5. James Kinchen (U.S.)
6. Michael Olajide (Canada)
7. Robbie Sims (U.S.)
8. Don Lee (U.S.)
9. Lindell Holmes (U.S.)
10. Mustafa Hamsho (U.S.)
11. Michael Nunn (U.S.)
12. Tony Sibson (Great Britain)
13. Sumbu Kalambay (Italy)
14. Doug DeWitt (U.S.)
15. Roberto Duran (Panama)
16. John Collins (U.S.)
17. Errol Christie (Great Britain)
18. Frank Winterstein (France)
19. Juan Carlos Gimenez (Paraguay)
20. Frank Tate (U.S.)
21. Wilfred Benitez (Puerto Rico)
22. Mike Tinley (U.S.)
23. Charlie Boston (U.S.)
24. Tony Thornton (U.S.)
25. Luigi Minchillo (Italy)
26. Sean Mannion (U.S.)
27. Jorge Amparo (U.S.)
28. Dario Mattioni (Argentina)
29. Kevin Watts (U.S.)
30. Mark McPherson (U.S.)

SUPER WELTERWEIGHTS
Champion
Vacant
1. John Mugabi (Uganda)
2. Duane Thomas (U.S.)
3. Matthew Hilton (Canada)
4. In-Chul Baek (Korea)
5. Don Curry (U.S.)
6. Milton McCrory (U.S.)
7. Julian Jackson (Virgin Islands)
8. Troy Darrell (U.S.)
9. Said Skouma (France)
10. Chris Pyatt (Great Britain)
11. Mark Medal (U.S.)
12. Ramon Abeldano (Argentina)
13. Hugo Marinangeli (Argentina)
14. Ramon Ramos (Argentina)
15. Lupe Aquino (U.S.)
16. John Munduga (Uganda)
17. Elio Diaz (Venezuela)
18. Davey Moore (U.S.)
19. Steve Little (U.S.)
20. David Braxton (U.S.)
21. Enrico Scacchia (Switzerland)
22. Jae-Hyung Huh (Korea)
23. Carlos Elliott (Japan)
24. Roman George (U.S.)
25. Mark Janssen (Australia)
26. Nick Wilshire (Great Britain)
27. Kenny Snow (Texas)
28. Troy Waters (Australia)
29. David Noel (Trinidad)
30. Francisco Lisboa (Indonesia)

WELTERWEIGHTS
Champion
Lloyd Honeyghan (Great Britain)
1. Johnny Bumphus (U.S.)
2. Tommy Ayers (U.S.)
3. Marlon Starling (U.S.)
4. Maurice Blocker (U.S.)
5. Mark Breland (U.S.)
6. Jun-Sok Hwang (Korea)
7. Simon Brown (U.S.)
8. Miguel A. Arroyo (Argentina)
9. Seung-Soon Lee (Korea)
10. Horace Shufford (U.S.)
11. Tyrone Trice (U.S.)
12. Sylvester Mittee (Great Britain)
13. Lorenzo Garcia (Argentina)
14. Tomas Molinares (Columbia)
15. Charles Nwokolo (Nigeria)
16. Darryl Anthony (U.S.)
17. Yung-Kil Chung (Korea)
18. Brian Janssen (Australia)
19. Jose Varela (Germany)
20. Gianfranco Rosi (Italy)
21. Sabiyala Diavilla (Zaire)
22. Carlos Prieto (Argentina)
23. Kirkland Laing (Great Britain)
24. Helio Santana (Brazil)
25. Luis Santana (U.S.)
26. Manning Galloway (U.S.)
27. Judas Clottey (Ghana)
28. Efisio Galici (Italy)
29. Hugo Hector Vilte (Argentina)
30. Shawn O'Sullivan (Canada)

SUPER LIGHTWEIGHTS
Champion
Tsuyoshi Hamada (Japan)
1. Rodolfo Gonzalez (Mexico)
2. Rene Arredondo (Mexico)
3. Frankie Warren (U.S.)
4. Kyung-Duk Ahn (Korea)
5. Ronnie Shields (U.S.)
6. James (Buddy) McGirt (U.S.)
7. Hugo Hernandez (Argentina)
8. Terry Marsh (Great Britain)
9. Lonnie Smith (U.S.)
10. Joe Louis Manley (U.S.)
11. Gene Hatcher (U.S.)
12. Howard Davis, Jr. (U.S.)
13. Meldrick Taylor (U.S.)
14. Sang-Ho Lee (Korea)
15. Juan M. Coggi (Argentina)
16. Eung-Shik Kim (Korea)
17. John Wesley Meekins (U.S.)
18. Tony Jones (Australia)
19. Alberto M. Cortes (Argentina)
20. Aquilino Asprilla (Panama)
21. Harold Brazier (Philippines)
22. Ricky Young (U.S.)
23. Allen Allegia (Philippines)
24. Reyes Cruz (Dominican Rep.)
25. Akinobu Hiranaka (Japan)
26. Tony Laing (Great Britain)
27. Ildemar Paisan (Venezuela)
28. Wilf Jentzen (Australia)
29. Andy Nance (U.S.)
30. Rodolfo Aguilar (Panama)

LIGHTWEIGHTS
Champion
Hector Camacho (Puerto Rico)
1. Jose Luis Ramirez (Mexico)
2. Terrence Alli (U.S.)
3. Cornelius Boza-Edwards (Uganda)
4. Livingstone Bramble (U.S.)
5. Frankie Randall (U.S.)
6. Roger Mayweather (U.S.)
7. Darryl Tyson (U.S.)
8. Miguel Santana (Puerto Rico)
9. Jesus Romero (Argentino)
10. Greg Haugen (U.S.)
11. Irleis (Cubanito) Perez
12. Pernell Whitaker (U.S.)
13. Sergio Zambrano (Mexico)
14. Vincent Pazienza (U.S.)
15. Angel Hernandez (Puerto Rico)
16. John Montes (U.S.)
17. Primo Ramos (Mexico)
18. Juan Nazario (Puerto Rico)
19. Fred Pendleton (U.S.)
20. Dale Artango (Australia)

21. Tyrone Crawley (U.S.)
22. Gert Bo Jacobsen (Denmark)
23. Rene Weller (Germany)
24. Roque Montoya (Mexico)
26. Tony Willis (Great Britain)
27. Sammy Fuentes (Puerto Rico)
28. Walter Sims (U.S.)
29. Rafael Williams (Panama)
30. Cheyenne Yamamoto (Japan)

SUPER FEATHERWEIGHTS

Champion
Julio Cesar Chavez (Mexico)

1. Francisco Tomas Cruz (Brazil)
2. Mario Martinez (Mexico)
3. Johnny de la Rosa (Dom. Rep.)
4. Rocky Lockridge (U.S.)
5. Dwight Pratchett (U.S.)
6. Sung-Yun Kim (Korea)
7. Jean Marc Renard (Belgium)
8. Lester Ellis (Australia)
9. Juan LaPorte (Puerto Rico)
10. Mario Miranda (Columbia)
11. Daniel Londas (France)
12. John Sichula (Zambia)
13. Chung-Won Chung (Korea)
14. Refugio Rojas (Mexico)
15. Edgar Castro (Venezuela)
16. Kenny Baysmore (U.S.)
17. Felipe Julio (Columbia)
18. Faustino Barrios (Argentina)
19. Pasqual Aranda (U.S.)
20. Ralphe Sims (U.S.)
21. Manuel Batista (Mexico)
22. Oscar Bejines (Mexico)
23. Kamel Bou Ali (Tunisia)
24. Pedro Gutierrez (Argentina)
25. Najib Daho (Great Britain)
26. Vinnie Costello (U.S.)
27. Tony Pep (Canada)
28. Tony Lopez (U.S.)
29. Roberto DeFooz (Argentina)
30. Eduardo Galan (Argentina)

FEATHERWEIGHTS

Champion
Azumah Nelson (Ghana)

1. Marcos Villasana (Mexico)
2. Calvin Grove (U.S.)
3. Barry McGuigan (Great Britain)
4. Bernard Taylor (U.S.)
5. Antonio Esparragoza (Venezuela)
6. Jackie Beard (U.S.)
7. Tyrone Downes (Trinidad)
8. Javier Marquez (Mexico)
9. Jose Marmolejo (Panama)
10. Jose Mario Lopez (Argentina)
11. Lupe Suarez (U.S.)
12. Joe Ruelas (U.S.)
13. Robert Rivera (Puerto Rico)
14. Ki-Yong Chung (Korea)
15. Danilo Cabrera (Dominican Rep.)
16. Richard Savage (U.S.)
17. Min-Keun Oh (Korea)
18. Jim McDonnell (Great Britain)
19. Osmar Avila (Argentina)
20. Eijiro Kuruma (Japan)
21. Maurizio Stecca (Italy)
22. George Navarro (U.S.)
23. Irving Mitchell (U.S.)
24. Hector Lopez (Mexico)
25. Byung-Soo Park (Korea)
26. Jorge Ramirez (Mexico)
27. Tony Miller (Australia)
28. Alvaro Bohorquez (Columbia)
29. Mitsuru Sugiya (Japan)
30. Nelson Rodriguez (Puerto Rico)

SUPER BANTAMWEIGHTS

Champion
Samart Payakaroon (Thailand)

1. Seung-Hoon Lee (Korea)
2. Tommy Valoy (Dominican Rep.)
3. Mike Ayala (U.S.)
4. Jaime Garza (U.S.)
5. (Juan (Kid) Meza (Mexico)
6. Harold Petty (U.S.)
7. Daniel Blanco (Colombia)
8. Julian Solis (Puerto Rico)
9. Loris Stecca (Italy)
10. Valerio Nati (Italy)
11. Daniel Zaragoza (Mexico)
12. Louie Espinoza (U.S.)
13. Alberto Mercado (Puerto Rico)
14. Prayoonsak Muangsurin (Thailand)
15. Ramon Dominguez (Argentina)
16. Jesse Benavides (U.S.)
17. Jesus Salud (U.S.)
18. Aaron Lopez (U.S.)
19. Pedro R. Decima (Argentina)
20. Yun-Kap Choi (Korea)
21. George Garcia (U.S.)
22. James Pipps (U.S.)
23. Mauro Gutierrez (Mexico)
24. Ruben Dario Palacios (Colombia)
25. Bobby Berna (Philippines)
26. Jose Meneses (Panama)
27. Juan Veloz (U.S.)
28. Johnny Carter (U.S.)
29. Manuel Vilchez (Venezuela)
30. Kenji Iizumi (Japan)

BANTAMWEIGHTS

Champion
Miguel Lora (Colombia)

1. Albert Davila (U.S.)
2. Hurley Snead (U.S.)
3. Ki-Youl Kang (Korea)
4. Chang-Yung Park (Korea)
5. Greg Richardson (U.S.)
6. Azael Moran (Panama)
7. Lucio Lopez (Argentina)
8. Antonio Avelar (Mexico)
9. Frankie Duarte (U.S.)
10. Antoine Montero (France)
11. Gaby Canizales (U.S.)
12. Cardenio Ulloa (Chile)
13. Wilfredo Vasquez (U.S.)
14. Takuya Muguruma (Japan)
15. Rocky Chitalada (Thailand)
16. Kelvin Seabrooks (U.S.)
17. Jorge Ramirez (Mexico)
18. Changuito Carmona (Mexico)
19. Ray Minus (Bahamas)
20. Ciro de Leva (Italy)
21. James Manning (U.S.)
22. Juan C. Cortes (Argentina)
23. Freddie Jackson (U.S.)
24. Raul Perez (Mexico)
25. Ernie Cataluna (Philippines)
26. Juan Jose Estrada (Mexico)
27. Ali Camacho (Venezuela)
28. Fernando Beltran (Mexico)
29. Paul Ferreri (Australia)
30. Kaokor Galaxy (Thailand)

SUPER FLYWEIGHTS

Champion
Gilberto Roman (Mexico)

1. Frank Cedeno (Philippines)
2. Santos Laciar (Argentina)
3. Jiro Watanabe (Japan)
4. Israel Contreras (Venezuela)
5. Kongtoranee Payakaroon (Thailand)
6. Dong-Choon Lee (Korea)
7. Sugar Baby Rojas (Colombia)
8. Juan Carazo (Puerto Rico)
9. Edgar Monserrat (Panama)
10. Raul Diaz (Colombia)
11. Ruben Condori (Argentina)
12. Juan Polo Perez (Columbia)
13. Gustavo Ballas (Argentina)
14. Ki-Chang Kim (Korea)
15. Michael Parrish (Guyana)
16. Eudo Bermudez (Columbia)
17. Cesar Polanco (Dom. Rep.)
18. Mike Moreno (U.S.)
19. Tae-Il Chang (Korea)
20. Oscar Bolivar (Columbia)
21. Constancio Dangla (Philippines)
22. Alain Limarola (France)
23. Seishi Hatanaka (Japan)
24. Rodolfo Ortega (Mexico)
25. Ernesto Ford (Panama)
26. Petchangam Chuvatana (Thailand)
27. Jose Chacon (Panama)
28. Seishi Hatanaka (Japan)
29. Luis Ocampo (Argentina)
30. Byung-Kwan Chung (Korea)

FLYWEIGHTS

Champion
Sot Chitalada (Thailand)

1. Gabriel Bernal (Mexico)
2. Rae-Ki Ahn (Korea)
3. Fidel Bassa (Colombia)
4. Javier Lucas (Mexico)
5. Shuichi Hozumi (Japan)
6. Duke McKenzie (Great Britain)
7. Rafael Caban (Puerto Rico)
8. Alberto Castro (Colombia).
9. Adrian Roman (Argentina)
10. Hideaki Kamishiro (Japan)
11. Paul Gonzales (U.S.)
12. Rafeal Cabrera (Dom. Rep.)
13. Jimmy Fernandez (Mexico)
14. Claudemir Dias (Brazil)
15. Miguel Mercedes (Dom. Rep.)
16. Juan Herrera (Mexico)
17. Freddie Castillo (Mexico)
18. Richard Clark (Jamaica)
19. Rodolfo Alvarez (Mexico)
20. Stephen Muchoki (Kenya)
21. Koji Nishikawa (Japan)
22. Bi-Won Chung (Korea)
23. Kwon-Soon Chun (Korea)
24. Emilo Santos (Mexico)
25. Thanomsak Singboebae (Thailand)
26. Leopard Tamakuma (Japan)
27. Ray Medel (U.S.)
28. Franco Cherchi (Italy)
29. Alonzo (Strongbow) Gonzalez (U.S.)
30. Orlando Canizales (U.S.)

LIGHT FLYWEIGHTS

Champion
Jung-Koo Chang (Korea)

1. Isidro Perez (Mexico)
2. Rodolfo Blanco (Colombia)
3. Jorge Cano (Mexico)
4. Benedicto Murillo (Panama)
5. Cho-Woon Park (Korea)
6. Seiji Tomari (Japan)
7. Efren Pinto (Mexico)
8. Eduardo Tunon (Panama)
9. Mario DeMarco (Argentina)
10. Hideyuki Ohashi (Japan)
11. Virgilio Chifundo (Panama)
12. Agustin Garcia (Colombia)
13. Francisco Montiel (Mexico)
14. Ruben Padilla (Mexico)
15. German Torres (Mexico)
16. Oh-Kong Son (Korea)
17. Moon-Jin Choi (Korea)
18. Ray Thompson (Panama)
19. Chun Huh (Korea)
20. Amado Ursua (Mexico)
21. Hermogenes Murillo (Panama)
22. Little Baguio (Philippines)
23. Memo Flores (Mexico)
24. Kyun-Jae Chae (Korea)
25. Tomohiro Kiyuna (Japan)
26. Jun Afable (Philippines)
27. Agapito Gomez Alvarado (Spain)
28. Hector Patri (Argentina)
29. Lincoln Salcedo (Ecuador)
30. Denhnur Kiatchaiwat (Thailand)

Bill Mordey's Classic Promotions.
Attendance—4,000. Show lost money.
(09-15-86)

▶**HOMEBUSH—State Sports Centre**—Leslie Stewart, 174½, retained his Commonwealth light heavyweight crown by knocking out Australian champion Garry Hubble, 173¼, in 2:50 of the fifth round in a scheduled 12. Billy Males, referee. Trevor Christian (Australia), Manuel Tolentino (Hawaii), and Phalerm Caryatstut (Thailand), judges.

Peter Mitrevski, 111½, halted Bobby Williams, 112, in round two of their scheduled 10. Referee Males intervened with Williams baled up in a corner, copping punches and returning one in five. Bobby protested the stoppage.

Joe Lutui, 170½, outpointed Robbie Hitchenson, 173¼, eight.

Rodney Brown, 138½, outscored Miguel Pimentel, 152¼, four.

Showbiz Artists Int./South Pacific Entertainment.
Attendance—1,500. Show lost money.
(09-18-86)

▶**ST. MARY'S—Leagues Club**—John Bogolin, 163¾, won the New South Wales junior heavyweight title by knocking out defending champion Roy Alexander, 167½, in the seventh round of a scheduled 10. John Wright, referee.

Rocky Warren, 137, kayoed Jimmy Henry, 137¾, in the sixth and final round.

Four-rounders: Chris Dawe, 142¼, outscored Andy Faulkner, 134. Joe Taupau, 155, outpointed John Hunt, 156. Billy the Kid, 161¼, outscored Steve Henry, 157¾, (Note: Joe Taupau boxes under then anem Johnny Taupau, the same as his brother. We use the name Joe to distinguish them.)
(09-18-86)

▶**PORT KEMBLA—Leagues Club**—Alex Temelkov, 164¼, outpointed southpaw Les Mathers, 157¾, 10. Plenty of action, and ringside fans showered the ring with money after the bout. Ray Mitchell, referee.

Alex Tui, 164¼, halted Roland Stamplair, 162½, at 0:45 of round two in a scheduled eight. Stamplair was out on his feet following a knockdown, so ref Mick Bennetto stopped it.

Steve Henry, 158¾, and John Hunt, 157¾, drew, six.
(09-26-86)

▶**NOTES**—Former New South Wales welterweight champion Ross Eadie lost his life in a fire at the age of 35. The funeral was held on October 13th. Eadie boxed professionally from 1970 to 1982. This reporter refereed 25 of his bouts. He was a decent man.

VICTORIA

▶**MELBOURNE—Festival Hall**—Former IBF junior lightweight champion Lester Ellis, 133½, won a split decision over Australian junior lightweight champion Tony Miller, 130, 10. Scoring: judge Gus Mercurio, 97-94, Ellis: judge Brian Membrey, 97-96, Ellis; judge Johnny Wheeler, 98-95, Miller. This was originally scheduled as a 12-rounder for Miller's Australian title, but Ellis failed to make the weight.

Wilf Gentzen, 141, halted Tommy Woods, 140, in round five of their scheduled 10. Gentzen was down in round one.

Lachie Williams, 129, outscored fast moving Rodney Bowman, 129¼, 10. Bowman was down in round four.

Guy Murdoch, 156½, and Trevor Keegan, 163¼, drew, four.

Jim Dioguirdi, 154½, kayoed Brian East, 148¼, in the second round of a scheduled three.
(10-09-86)

QUEENSLAND

▶**MACAY—Prince of Wales Hotel**—Pat Stone, 156½, outpointed Trevor McKinty, 161, eight.

Shane Kinnane, 123½, outscored Steve Laylor, also 123½, four.
(09-13-86)

▶**ROCKHAMPTON—Flamingo Night Club**—Danny Davies, 152¼, and Rodney Price, 150, drew, 10. The scores were 98-98, 97-97, and 99-98, Davies.

Percey Israel, 141, outscored Stephen Peel, 152¼, eight.

Jamie Tracy, 185¼, stopped John Hunt, 161, in round six of their scheduled eight.

Pat Stone, 152¼, outpointed Mark Hansen, 150, six.
(09-20-86)

WESTERN AUSTRALIA

▶**PERTH—Function Centre**—Tony Milller, 128¼, retained his Australian junior lightweight crown with a unanimous decision over Craig Pevy, 130, 12. The scores were 120-110, 120-107, and 118-110.

Carl Zappia, 130, retained his Western Australia State junior lightweight title by outpointing Ron Smith, also 130, 10. Best fight of the year in Western Australia.

Ken Dixon, 172½, stopped Craig Bushby, 170, in the third round of a scheduled six.

Colin Capelli, 130¾, outscored Wally Bryant, 132¼, six.

Hiro Aki, 124½, outpointed Rocky Devellerez, 125, six.
(09-26-86)

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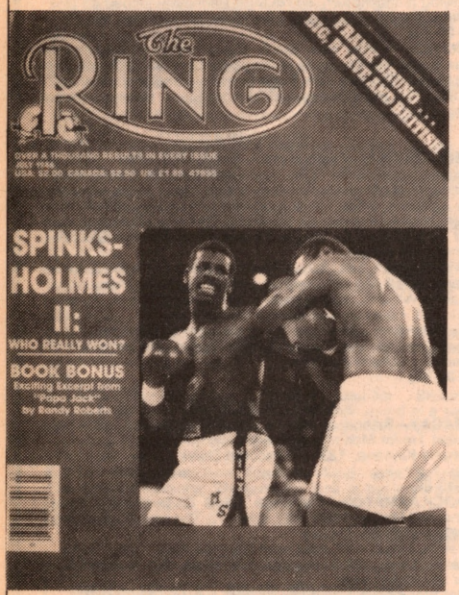

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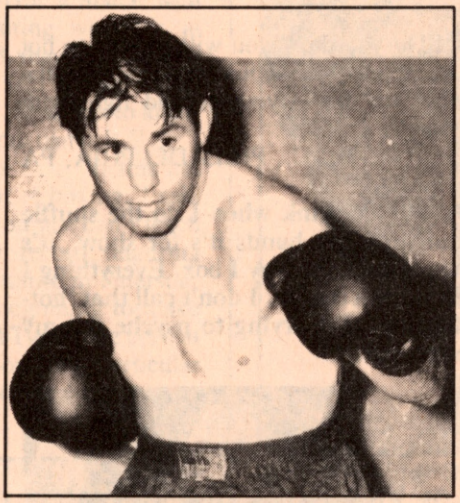

FORMER MIDDLEWEIGHT CHAMPION Al Hostak was born January 7, 1916 in Minneapolis, Minnesota. When Al was still a boy, his family moved to Seattle, Washington. While still in grammar school, the 120-pound Hostak took up boxing under Eddie Marino and was soon ready to begin his amateur career. After racking up a 24-0 (17 knockouts) amateur record, he turned pro in 1934.

A blond youngster of Slavic origin, Hostak looked anything but a terrific two-fisted puncher. But he was. Al was nicknamed the "Killer" and the "Savage Slav" because of the way he finished his opponents once he got them in trouble. Some of the men who felt the effects of the TNT in Al's punches were: Young Terry, Tony Fisher, Jimmy Sykes, Babe Risko, Mickey Bazzone, Swede Bergland, Allen Matthews, Tony Fisher, Otto Blackwell, Solly Krieger, and Freddie Steele.

Hostak won his claim to the middleweight crown (NBA version) by knocking out Steele in one round on July 26, 1938 in Seattle. He lost it to Kreiger a few months later and then regained the belt by stopping Kreiger in four rounds the following year. After making a successful defense by kayoing Erich Seelig in one round, Al lost the title for good when Tony Zale put him away in the 13th round. Zale was one fighter who seemed to have Hostak's number. Tony beat him three times, twice by knockout.

Al fought on for a few more years after losing the title, bowing out on a winning note with a ninth round kayo over Jack Snapp, January 7, 1849 in Seattle. His overall pro record was 68-9-6 with 47 knockouts.

Today, Al lives in White City, (near Georgetown) Washington, and was last known to be working as a security guard at the Longacres Race Track.

VETERAN BOXERS NOTES:

The Cauliflower Alley Club is the latest boxing group to become a member of the International Veteran Boxers Association. IVBA president Scoop Gallello welcomed them and issued number Ring 49 to the new member . . . The International Veteran Boxers Association held its 19th annual convention at the Stevenville Country Club in Swan Lake, New York. This year's convention was hosted by IVBA Ring 30 of Westchester County, New York. A large turnout was on hand to honor: Vince DeSantis, Lou Leavey, Jackie Lotz, Jimmy Marsillo, Mike Nesci, Johnny Seaman, and John J. Turner. Guest speaker was New York Assemblyman Ronald C. Tocci, who spoke about the need for a boxer's pension plan. Chairman Gallello and co-chairman Bobby Brandt did a fine job with this year's outing . . . VBA of Brooklyn (Ring 21) held their 26th annual testimonial dinner and dance at the Micali Terrace in Brooklyn. A crowd of around 500 came to honor veteran boxers: Tommy Sparrow, Nickey Jerome, Max Renner, Ed Esposti and the late Joe Mulli. Given a special award was Dr. Charles Gelleman and yours truely, Charlie Spina. A delagation from Ring 8 VBA in New York (headed by Ray Arcel, Johhny Colan and Danny Kapilow) were on hand to honor Gelleman. Also on hand were former world champs Sandy Sadler and Lou Salica. President Augie Parente and his committee are to be highly commended for a wonderful affair . . . Boston's grand old boxer, Gus Raimo, of Ring 4, recently celebrated his 100th birthday. Way to go, Gus. Hope you enjoy many more . . . The newly formed New Jersey Diamond Gloves Association held its first dinner/dance recently at the Tides Restaurant in North Haledon, New Jersey . . .

THE LAST ROUND:

Geraldine Dundee, 77, wife and business associate of promoter Chris Dundee passed way on September 20, 1986 in Miami. A native of Norfolk, Virgina, Mrs. Dundee served as an accountant and administrator for Chris . . . Edward Allen, 65, promoter and manager, died on September 25, 1986 in Plainfield, New Jersey. Allen was in boxing for 33 years and managed many fighters, including former IBF junior middleweight champ Mark Medal and middleweight prospect Troy Darrell. In 1981, Allen was named "Manager of the Year" by Madison Square Garden. At the time of his death, he was scheduled to be inducted into the New Jersey Boxing Hall of Fame . . . Bill Prezant, 65, veteran trainer/cutman for 45 years, died from a heart attack in late October of '86. A popular figure in the fight world, Prezant worked the corner for many champions and leading contenders. He was one of the best cutmen in the business . . . Sammy Waters, 75, former boxer from Harrisburg, Pa., passed away on September 28, 1986. Sammy had been a boxing instructor for the US Army, the Camp Hill Correctional Institution, and the Police Athletic League. He was also a past president of IBBA Ring 105 in Harrisburg and a former vice-president of IVBA worldwide . . . May they all rest in peace. □

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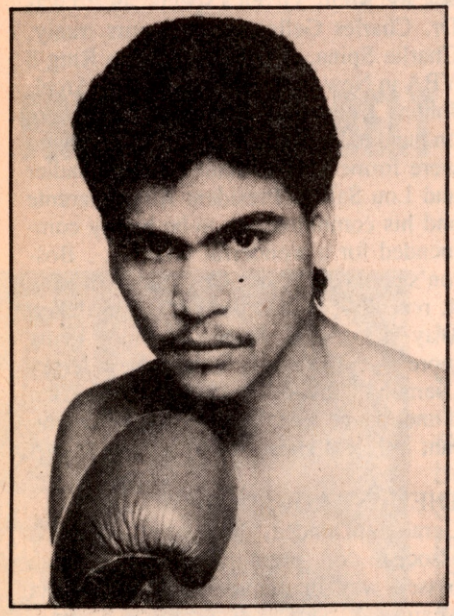


FOR PAUL GONZALES
NABF flyweight champion

Q: Is it difficult for you to continue to make the flyweight limit?
R.F., POMONA, CA

A: Yes, I starve myself most of the time. But I can't wait for the day when I can go down to the pizza parlour and eat like normal people do. But I have no complaints. The sacrifice has been worth it.

FOR FRANKIE DUARTE
NABF bantamweight champion

Q: What flashed through your mind when you were cut over the left eye in the first round against Jose Torres?
S.S., LOS ANGELES, CA

A: I was scared to death. I saw my title shot going out the window. They asked me after the first round if I wanted to continue, and I said yes. Hey, the guy was real tough, but I think I proved I was the best (with a ninth round kayo victory).

FOR SUGAR RAY LEONARD
Former welterweight and junior middleweight champion

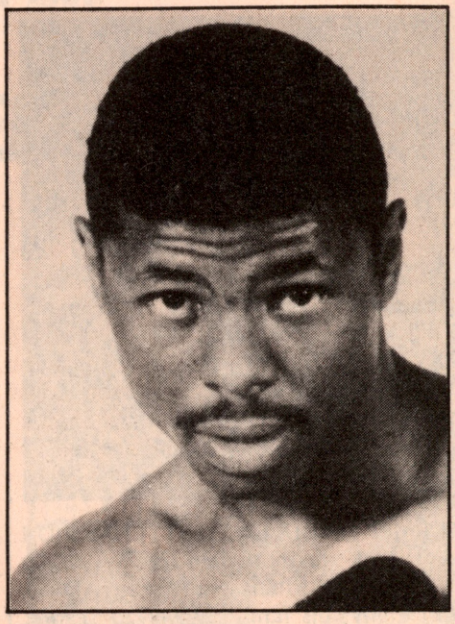
Q: Do you think you will be able to hot dog against Marvelous Marvin Hagler the way you did in your second fight with Roberto Duran?
N.J.C., PHILADELPHIA, PA

A: People think when I do the shuffle and drop my hands it's for show. It's not. That's the way I box. Everything I do is for a reason. I don't call that 'hot-dogging.' I'm trying to psyche out my opponent.

FOR MIKE MC CALLUM
WBA junior middleweight champion

Q: Although you looked sensational stopping Julian Jackson, were you surprised at the way he tore into you during the opening round of your fight in Miami Beach?
R.M., KINGSTON, JAMAICA

A: I really didn't know what to do when he came at me like that, but I knew I had to get it back together. Jackson punches well, but I knew he didn't take a good shot. Once I tagged him, I thought to myself 'nice and easy, I've got this one under control.'



FOR FRANK TATE
Undefeated middleweight prospect

Q: Were you jealous when Evander Holyfield became the first member of '84 USA Olympic boxing team to win a world championship? After all, you won a gold medal and Holyfield only got a bronze.
J.H., HOUSTON, TX

A: No, I'm glad for Holyfield. I'll get my chance. The TV bouts are coming my way. There's money to be made out there, but I'm in no rush. I'm still improving, because in boxing, you're always improving or you're on your way out.

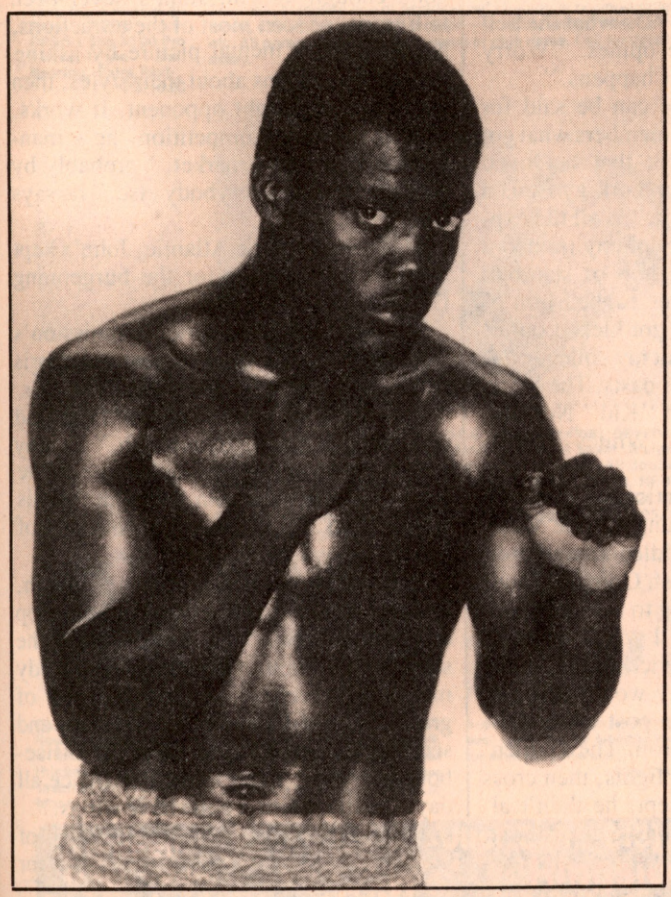
FOR HECTOR CAMACHO
WBC lightweight champion

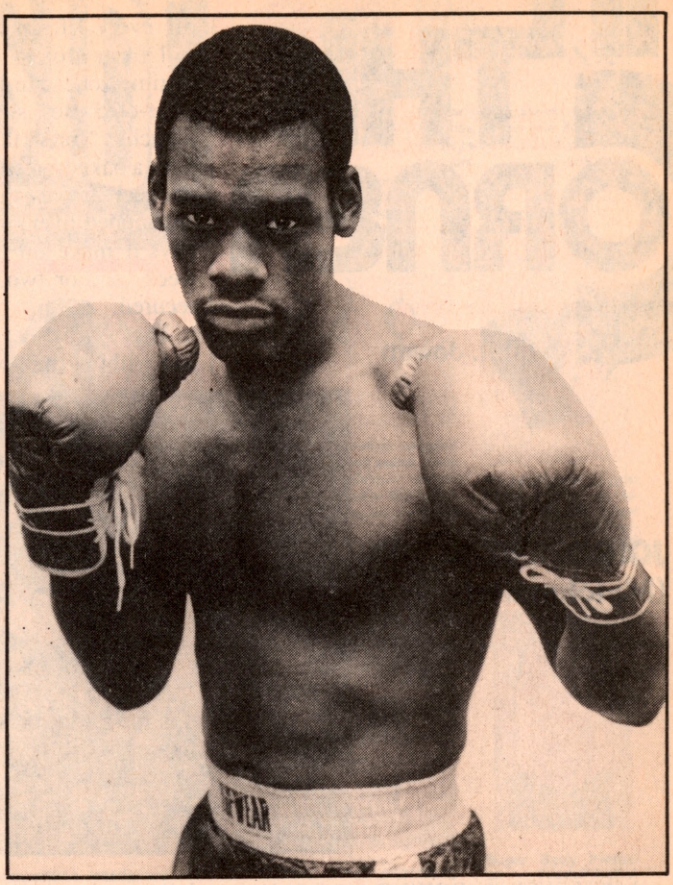
Q: A lot of boxing writers and TV commentators say you don't have any class. What do you say to all the criticism?
T.B., NEW YORK CITY

A: Hey, go and see my house and my cars and the way I dress. I got a lot of class. I'm not a bad guy. I haven't killed no one.

ANTHONY PEARSON
JUNIOR WELTERWEIGHT

THEY CALL JUNIOR WELTERWEIGHT ANTHONY PEARSON "Nightmare" for a very good reason. Hakki Gulmez, Pearson's third straight pro victim, will probably have bad dreams about Anthony for the rest of his life. In the second round of their Philadelphia bout, Pearson connected with three vicious rights to the chin and Gulmez went down face first. It took over five minutes to revive him. Though only a novice pro (4-0-1 overall), Pearson features the kind of savage, all-out attack that could very well make him a box office attraction in the near future . . . Manager Lenny Shaw found Pearson almost by accident. A native of Milwaukee, Wisconsin, Anthony was in New York City helping a friend get ready for a match with Buddy McGirt. He was so impressive during workouts at Gleason's Gym, Shaw quickly signed the 18-year-old prospect . . . I've never seen anything like him," said Shaw. "This kid is so good we can teach him very little. He seems to know how to do everything—punch, defense, you name it." . . . Trainer Don Turner also likes what he sees . . . "If this kid doesn't become a champion, I'm getting out of boxing," said Turner. "He has all those intangibles that you just can't teach a kid." . . . Pearson claims a 152-8 amateur record, featuring 72 knockouts. He is currently living and training in Paterson, New Jersey . . . Although Pearson is just beginning to make his presents felt in the pro ranks, if Shaw and Turner are correct in their assessments, it won't be long before this particular "Nightmare" will be disturbing the sleep of every 140-pounder in the world. □





DAVID DAVIS
JUNIOR MIDDLEWEIGHT

HOW MANY TIMES HAVE WE HEARD A FIGHTER SAY IT WAS the cheers of the crowd that inspired him on to victory? For Chicago junior middleweight David Davis, cheers or jeers are of no concern. Davis is unable to hear or speak. At the age of four, shortly after moving to Chicago from his birthplace in St. Louis, David contracted spinal menigitis which resulted in his loss of hearing and speech . . . As an amateur, he posted a 47-5 record under the guidance of trainer Ricardo Colbert. Recently, Colbert sold Davis' contract to the management team to Johnny Lira (the former lightweight contender), and attorneys Jack Rimland and Josette Belvedere. To date, "The Silent Bomber," as Davis calls himself, has won all 10 of his pro bouts. His toughest test came against Kenny Kirkwood in a bout that saw David enter the ring in less than perfect shape. However, from now on, conditioning shouldn't be a problem . . . "We see a lot of potential in this kid," said Lira. "We want him to dedicate himself to training, so we will assume all of his expenses." . . . "Davis can knock you out with either hand, but he has to learn how to settle down a bit," said Sonny Means, Chicago-based commentator for the ESPN Cable Network . . . A 22-year-old graduate of Whitney Young High School, Davis also attended Northern Illinois University in a special program for the hearing impaired . . . Though Davis' parents are fond of boxing, he says his wife, Bridgette, is his biggest fan . . . Unable to brag verbally, Davis is one fighter who has to let his fists do the talking for him. □

IN THIS CORNER

by J.R. Jowett

JOHNNY BOS (Matchmaker)

AN INTEREST IN BOXING HAS SAVED more than a few street kids from a life of shiftlessness. One such waif blossomed into a slick, businesslike matchmaker for a well-oiled promotional organization. That's Ron Katz. Then there's Johnny Bos. Well, you can't win 'em all.

These two rising stars have been on such a collision course, they're often mistaken for each other: the "Katzenbos Kids." But if they were brothers, Johnny'd be the one they locked in the closet when company came. Despite his association with the polished Duva machine, Johnny remains passionately unreconstructed.

Bos (nee Bosdal) lurks around the fringes of fight cards, a huge, blonde, Swedish teddy-bear in a purple, giraffe-print shirt, with a drink in one hand. "How would 'so-and-so' do against 'what's-his-name'?" is his invariable greeting, but he seldom waits for the answer. Spying a pigeon, partner, or patron, Bos zeroes in like a falcon . . . one with a few tail feathers missing.

A night I spent in Johnny's then-bachelor apartment in Brooklyn's Bay Ridge (he's since moved to E. Orange, NJ, and is rumored married; nobody seems quite sure) a few years ago is illustrative of his life style. Trying to get some sleep is darn near impossible. The phone goes off every fifteen minutes, as promoters call from around the globe, irrespective of time zones. In the morning, an underwear-clad Bos sifts the mail, while he munches "breakfast." It's his own creation, a baked-pretzel hoagie . . . with salt! A check arrives from England for a body he shipped over, and it's more than most guys'll make on the assembly line in a week . . . or two. Johnny's weekend is secured.

That's what sets guys like Bos apart, and without them, the world would be as dull as a church picnic. "Do what the hell you do for today," he opines. "Worry about tomorrow when it happens."

Apparently, the same can be said for yesterday. Bos hardly remembers what got him into boxing, except that he loved hanging around the New York gyms as a kid. "Something about it," is all the explanation he can muster. Johnny trained a bit, but asthma robbed him of stamina. His passion for the game robbed him of a formal education. He got kicked out of school for truancy. "I got my college education in the gyms," he boasts. The "professors" were guys like "Kid" Norfolk, Charley Goldman, and "Whitey" Bimstein.

Bos started getting noticed as part of a group of upstarts who hung outside Madison Square Garden, huddled around their guru, the inimitable Flash Gordon. Soon, fight people were calling to ask about opponents and matches. "I was a chump" Bos said of his free-advice days. At the time, he had what many would consider a "good job", with the post office . . . right across the street from The Garden! Johnny would go to the fights, then cross the street to work. Except, he didn't always make it. "When you've got asthma, you learn how to make excuses," he confides. Finally, in '78, he got "tired of working," and crossed no more. "He's nuts!" naysayers echoed. "He quit a steady job to try to make a living hustling stiffs!" To which Bos replies, "How much satisfaction can you get going home and saying, 'Geez, I loaded six skids of mail today?'"

As is often the case with gurus, Flash's disciples went on to greater success than The Master, depending on how they were able to debase his teachings to fit the "real world." Johnny had no trouble with that. His ability to, no matter how bad the fighter, find an opponent who was worse, soon had his former mentor turning on him with a vengeance. But Bos steadfastly denies he was ever a graverobber. Besides, it didn't always work.

Once, when a drawing card got belted out by a very unpromising opponent, the loser's irate manager decided to re-enact the punch . . . on Johnny's jaw!

"I had a cigarette in one hand, and a drink in the other. I didn't lose the ash, or spill a drop," Bos said with a shrug.

These days, most of his business is conducted over the phone to Europe, where he imports American fighters to face local heroes. His task is to find someone who will put up a good fight, but not quite good enough to win. John's never been to Europe, or seen most of the attractions, but he gains a mental picture by asking pertinent quesitons about their styles, then visualizing the right opponent. It works. against plentiful competition, he's managed to corner the market, "probably by outmaneuvering everybody else," he says simply.

On this side of the Atlantic, John's kept busy as matchmaker for the burgeoning Duva empire.

The New Jersey Athletic Commission's increased reliance on won-lost records is making the job tougher on guys like Bos. "Show me a kid who's 7-0, and I can find one who's 2-7, and just as tough," Johnny said. "The ticket seller should have a little edge on desire to win in front of his friends, but I can't make those kinds of matches anymore."

Just making good matches isn't enough, though. Bos feels duty bound to develop attractions. "Boxing's a business," he states. "Without attractions, nobody makes any money. There's a sense of gratification if I build somebody up, and see them make it." He sneers at office-bound rivals. "I can't sit in an office all day. I'm like a bird. I gotta have wings."

Rivals and detractors, with a touch of jealousy, have been predicting a crash for years. But Johnny's still flying. □

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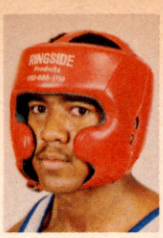

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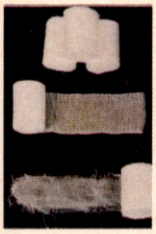

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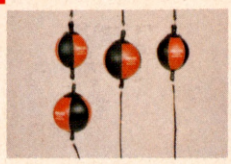

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